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# Major licks his wounds and looks to the future

**■ The Conservative party has resolved to rediscover its lost unity. But the bitterness caused by Maastricht could leave John Major a hostage to fortune**

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

JOHN Major and his cabinet tried last night to draw a line under the Conservative party's divisions over Europe after comfortably winning a confidence motion and clearing the way for ratification of the Maastricht treaty.

After two days of parliamentary melodrama, the Tory backbench rebellion over Maastricht collapsed under the threat of a general election that would have condemned the party to certain defeat.

But the events of the most perilous 48 hours of his premiership have left the prime minister on extended trial, his authority impaired. With a by-election defeat at Christchurch looming next week, he badly needs a change of fortune during the summer if he is to face his party conference in the autumn with equanimity.

The high-risk strategy advocated by Douglas Hurd, Kenneth Clarke and Michael Howard of forcing the party behind the final vote on Maastricht on pain of a potentially disastrous general election paid off, leaving the Rees-Mogg court case as the only obstacle to ratification. The cabinet was jubilant last night, but the tactic has left a lingering bitterness among the rebels who retain the power to damage him in the months and years ahead.

For the moment there is massive relief that the parliamentary saga of Maastricht has ended, and that Conservative MPs can at least set off for their summer holidays with a semblance of unity.

Not one of the rebels of Thursday night carried forward their defiance to yesterday's debate. Mr Major, helped again by the Ulster Unionists, secured a majority of 40 on the confidence motion. Only one MP — Rupert Allason — was absent, and he will be punished.

The Tory mood was improved by a concerted campaign by the leadership to bury the hatchet with the rebels. Relations between dissidents and loyalists are poor, but the message from the beleaguered high command last night was that there would be no recriminations. Mr Hurd set the tone in a speech winding up the debate when he said the government was at a turning point.

"I believe this afternoon we can put behind us not just the long, necessary and debilitating debate about Maastricht," he said. "We can put behind us the whole year of roughness and misfortune. Because of the coming together of this debate on Maastricht and the economic news, we can go away for the recess with greater confidence than at any time since the last general election."

Then the party chairman, Sir Norman Fowler, wrote to constituency parties saying that Mr Major had taken decisive action to end the damaging uncertainty and delay over Maastricht. "Throughout the party we can now seize the opportunity which the prime minister and government have created to put the divisions of Maastricht behind us, to draw a line and to move forward together."

In a series of television interviews Mr Major pressed home the message. He said: "We have drawn a line in the sand." Asked why he had threatened an election rather than put his own job on the line, Mr Major said: "This wasn't my policy. This was the government's policy. The cabinet were passionate supporters of the Bill." He dismissed any prospect of a challenge to his leadership.

Meanwhile Sir Marcus Fox, chairman of the 1922 Committee of backbenchers, said 14 months of agony over the treaty were now out of the way. "I am saying 'No witch-hunt'. That is in the past. No recriminations, let us look to the future." The leading Eurosceptic Michael Spicer said: "It is peace with honour."

Earlier a tired Mr Major, watched by his wife Norma and son James, told MPs: "Parliament must put this stalemate over Europe behind it. I am not prepared to let it poison the political atmosphere any longer. The boil must be lanced and it must be lanced today."

John Smith then capitalised on the Tory disarray to deliver a brutal attack on Mr Major. In his most lacerating style, the Labour leader delighted MPs with his humour as he said Mr Major had been forced, in order to survive, to "threaten his own side with electoral suicide", adding: "Sometimes I think when the prime minister selects a weapon it's the boomerang he finds most efficent."

Neil Kinnock, the former Labour leader, said the prime minister was "holed beneath the waterline. Mr Major will not lead the Conservative party into the next election."


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ADRIAN BROOKS

Family support: the Majors returning to 10 Downing Street last night after a politically bruising 48 hours

## Scandal claims 10th suicide in Italy

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

RAUL Gardini yesterday became the first of Italy's elite merchant princes apparently to commit suicide over allegations of a link to the country's corruption scandal.

Signor Gardini is thought to have shot himself in the head at his flat near La Scala in Milan after a magazine published leaked testimony by a former associate. Legal sources said last night that he and four other former executives and advisers of the Ferruzzi group of which he was a former chairman would have been arrested shortly.

Signor Gardini, 60, was the twelfth suspect to die while under investigation in the "clean hands" enquiry engulfing Italy. Nine of the others apparently killed themselves. But none had the jet-setting glamour and prestige of the eternally suntanned, silver-haired Signor Gardini. As chairman of the Ferruzzi-Montedison agricultural and chemicals group, he turned a small grain-trading company into the second largest private industrial concern in Italy.

Gianni Agnelli, the Fiat magnate, said: "Gardini was a friend, a man of character, perhaps also of difficult character — a person of great vision who followed in good faith his dream ... of building a chemical industry capable of competing in the world."

Magistrates had increasingly focused their attention on Signor Gardini in recent weeks with an enquiry into Enimont, a former joint venture between ENI and Ferruzzi's Montedison operating company. Magistrates yesterday issued warrants for Carlo Sama, a former managing director of Ferruzzi, and Vittorio Ricci, Signor Gardini's brother-in-law.


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## Life at 40 is just as grim for Gooch

GRAHAM Gooch found yesterday that life at 40 was much the same as before, as England's cricketers suffered another humiliating day in the field at the hands of Australia.

At the end of a miserable birthday, the England captain knew that his hopes of winning the Ashes were over after an unbroken partnership of 292 between Allan Border, the captain, and Steve Waugh had effectively put the fourth Test match at Headingley out of England's reach.

The pair took Australia's total to 613 for four — a record for their country on the ground — at the end of the second day of the match. After losing the first two Tests of the series and drawing the third, England need to win each of the last three Tests to recover the Ashes lost in 1989.

Border will probably bat on for a short time this morning, possibly until he has reached his first double-century against England. England took only one wicket yesterday, David Boon being leg-before to Mark Ilott early in the day. Waugh was dropped on 126 by Mike Atherton at slip.


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## More assistance cash earmarked for 'poor South'

BY NICHOLAS WATT

THE economic map of Britain was redrawn yesterday when parts of the South East of England were marked out for the kind of assistance traditionally reserved for the North.

Rising unemployment in London and Kent has meant that areas such as the East Thames corridor and Dover have replaced Bradford and Darlington as candidates for a share of the government's £300 million assisted area scheme.

Fifteen of the 32 new areas announced yesterday are in the South; eight more were created in the East Midlands and East Anglia, and seven in the North.

The recession has bitten so deeply into parts of the South that, while 16 areas outside have now become affluent enough to be excluded from this year's list, every southern town on the last map of assisted areas, compiled in 1984, still qualifies for assistance.

Announcing the new areas, Tim Sainsbury, the industry minister, said yesterday that unemployment in the South East had increased from 4 per cent in 1990 to 10.1 per cent for the year to June 1993.

"If anyone is saying that it is a political distortion to include areas of Kent I would draw their attention to the unemployment levels in areas like Thanet and compare those with some of the areas of the Midlands or North which have lost status," he said.

The scheme provides up to £300 million for businesses. There are 44 development areas qualifying for larger amounts of assistance, and 81 intermediate areas.

Robin Cook, Labour's trade and industry spokesman, who blamed government policies for turning past prosperity in the South into mass unemployment, said: "The extensions to the map should not have been paid for by cuts elsewhere."



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## Priceless Roman jewellery stolen from British Museum

BY LIN JENKINS

SECURITY at the British Museum is to be tightened up after thieves stole unique Roman artefacts in a night-time raid which foiled guards and surveillance equipment.

Items of jewellery, including a gold necklace and ring, and a number of coins, were taken from two glass display cases in the first-floor gallery devoted to *Rome: City and Empire*. Police estimate their value at £250,000, but the museum said that if such items reached the black market they could be worth many times more. The coins could be "worth anything from 10p to half a million pounds each", an expert said. Seaby Coins in central London said that although it would be impossible to sell the artefacts legitimately there is a strong market for stolen ancient coins among disreputable dealers.

Police yesterday examined the area, which remained closed to the public, and refused to comment on how the thieves entered or whether they had come in during opening hours and hidden. The smashed cabinets were discovered shortly after 2am yesterday by a security guard on regular patrol.

"There are two reasons for stealing such things," Andrew Hamilton, head of public relations, said. "One is for bullion value, and the second, and more profitable, the antiquities market. All our material is well documented and provenanced, which I hope makes it impossible to sell in this country. But things do get spirited away abroad."

"They have a minimum value of £250,000, but if they were put up for sale they could reach figures into telephone numbers. They are literally priceless." Details of the stolen objects would be circulated to the trade in days to come.

The jewellery, which comprised only part of the display in each cabinet, dated mostly from 2 AD, at a time when the Roman Empire was in its golden age under Augustus Caesar. The artefacts have been in the museum collection since before the turn of the century.



Engraved plasma bust of Septimius Severus, 17mm tall



Betrothal or wedding ring, gold with portrait busts. Third-fourth century AD


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POLITICAL SKETCH

## Final but timely climax brings down the House

These last two days have featured a dozen speeches that made no difference, one that did, and a sad case of premature peroration.

On Thursday, John Major's speech was little short of sparkling. John Smith was turgid. Major lost the vote. Yesterday, before going on to lose the vote heavily, the Labour leader made a splendid speech.

And the prime minister?

I cannot tell you. His wife Norma caught my eye from the Strangers' Gallery, where she was sitting with the couple's son James. They looked so sweet together, peering nervously down and willing Dad to succeed, that if Dad *had* made a rotten speech, your sketchwriter would feel like a cad to say so. Some, however, would remark that yesterday was not the occasion for another list of quotations from the chairman of ICI.

Major was followed by John Smith. His text was routine but he took wing when interrupted. Smith thinks fast on his feet, and there are always half a dozen Tory backbenchers willing to stand up and be knocked down by him. Even the one effective intervention — from Kenneth Clarke — Smith turned quickly to advantage, remarking that it was a pleasure to offer to contenders for Major's job the opportunity to put their bids in now. By the time he sat down, Smith's description of the warring Tory factions as "wrestling each other to a wretched draw" sounded as though it might prove a fair summary of the two days of debate now drawing to a close.

But there was still the Liberal Democrat leader to hear. Mr Ashdown spoke, as ever, fluently and with a certain sense of uplift. One can never remember quite what he said, but one remembers it was somehow stirring. Too stirring, I fear, for yesterday there was a problem.

We approach this delicately. It seemed that not just once, but twice, Mr Ashdown perorated before he was supposed to. The speech was jogging nicely along, building gradually towards its conclusion, when all at once the Lib-Dem leader became unduly excited. He began throwing in more than his usual complement of abstract nouns, about vision, cooperation and the future which lies before us, etc. It built up further: Britain's place in the world, and our European destiny were thrown in, on a rising cadence. Then, all at once, Paddy was silent, staring up at the ceiling and breathing heavily.

We assumed he had perorated. Picture our confusion when he returned to his notes, of which some five pages remained, and began to speak again, resuming to a calmer delivery.

Then, just a few minutes later, it happened again. A rousing paragraph, a sudden flurry of abstract nouns, and silence. Another peroration? So soon? And again he returned to his text! With so much energy already spent, the third peroration, after which Mr Ashdown really did stop, was a little disappointing. The more conventional approach, in which the entire peroration is saved until the end, has much to recommend it.

*A spin doctor writes:* "Premature peroration is a problem not uncommon among Commons orators, and should not cause too much concern, as anxiety can aggravate the difficulty. As often as not it is caused by a lack of political experience, and too much enthusiasm. It usually cures itself in time, but worried orators who feel a peroration coming on and wish to delay it, should try thinking hard about something really boring, like the next Liberal Democrat conference in Torquay."

Finally came the speech which (in your sketchwriter's view) really did make a small difference. Winding up, the foreign secretary, Douglas Hurd, achieved — in the midst of this storm — a note of calm good cheer. The eye of the tempest had passed, he told us. John Major visibly cheered up as Hurd spoke.

"This," concluded the foreign secretary, "is the last speech on Maastricht."

There followed something almost unknown at the House of Commons. A huge cheer, echoing from side to side of the Chamber, joined instantly and without reservation by every party and every shade of opinion, filled the air. On and on it went. There is, it seems, something on which all sides at Westminster agree, after all.

# Tory jury out as MPs question Major's long-term prospects

BY NICHOLAS WOOD
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*Confident mood: John Major and Kenneth Clarke in the Commons, before winning yesterday's confidence vote*

THE jury was out on John Major's future yesterday as bleary-eyed Conservative MPs surveyed the shattering events of the past 48 hours.

The loyalists proclaimed that, free of the "Maastricht box" that has sapped the prime minister's authority for a year, he would gradually reassert his dominance over his party and the country.

"The dragon has been slain," said one young minister, rightly anticipating the vote of confidence in the government delivered by Tory MPs later in the day. Maastricht's fetid breath would not sour this year's party conference, the economy would begin to pick up strongly by the autumn and MPs would unite around an uncontentious programme of legislation in which Tory prejudices would be tested on nothing more unsettling than teenage car thieves and muggers.

The prime minister had at last shown the smack of firm government for which his party was yearning by swiftly countering the Euro-sceptic rebellion with a motion of confidence. Meanwhile, with the emollient and gentlemanly Douglas Hurd at the helm, an uneasy truce had been reached with the hard core of 25 Tory dissidents.

However there was another more menacing message stalking the corridors of Westminster yesterday. Mr Major's authority had taken a "savage blow" in the eight-vote defeat the night before and his chances of recovery were slim.

Not surprisingly, such views are expressed more often in private than in public, but sometimes mavericks speak for more than themselves when they rock the boat. Teresa Gorman summed up the mood of many MPs when she said: "Quite clearly, the majority of the Conservative parliamentary party will not put themselves in for a general election because under this prime minister we will lose."

Richard Shepherd was another to fear that under Mr Major paradise had been postponed: "This will be a fine government, worthy of this party and worthy of this country."

Asked how long Mr Major had left, one senior MP, who has backed him throughout the Maastricht turmoil, settled for another six months. "He just has not got it. He cannot inspire, everything he does turns to dust. The man we voted for has turned out to have feet of clay. He will go of his own accord."

To a greater or lesser extent, that view is shared on the centre-right of the Tory party, but reaches far wider. At some point, about 50 Tory MPs have sought to frustrate the government over the treaty. At least another 50, probably more, share their strong reservations about Mr Major's approach to Europe and much besides.

Another right-wing MP, who against his better judgment has also voted for the government over Maastricht, said the prime minister was "tolerated but not loved". He guessed that the Tories would plod wearily on with Mr Major at the helm and that there would be no stalking horse challenge in the autumn. Asked how many votes a stalking horse might get, he said 100 — a graphic illustration of the level of discontent at Mr Major's leadership.

Another right-winger, who backed the government on Thursday but has proved troublesome in the past, said the Christchurch by-election, which will be lost heavily to the Liberal Democrats on Thursday, would only confirm what MPs already knew — that core supporters, such as middle-class pensioners, were defecting in droves. In his judgment, the prime minister was "on approval".

Another leading right-winger and reluctant Maastricht adherent was more damning. Mr Major's survival chances were less than 50:50 and declining all the time. "I suspect that Christchurch will be quite a crisis for him ... It's one hurdle among many and the problem is they are getting higher from the party conference through to the local elections and the Euro-elections," he said.

Identifying Mr Major's reputation for indecisive leadership as one of his main handicaps, the MP said that only the lack of a credible challenger was sustaining him in power. "A stalking horse in the autumn is possible now. It was not six weeks ago." He said that for all their public protestations of loyalty, his assessment was shared by many in the cabinet.

Mr Major also suffers from weaknesses not shared by Margaret Thatcher. She could always call on the support of 120 fiercely loyal backbenchers and had many devotees among the party faithful, but Mr Major lacks a "natural constituency" at Westminster or in the country. There is also growing evidence of declining membership and funds.

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## Unionist role 'has poisoned waters'

BY SHEILA GUNN
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major insisted yesterday that he had offered nothing to the Ulster Unionist MPs to secure their votes. When challenged in the Commons by Seamus Mallon, SDLP MP for Newry and Armagh, he said: "Nothing was asked for, nothing was offered and nothing was given."

Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, said there was "no bargaining and no bargain". However, Northern Ireland ministers will be forced to placate nationalist MPs and the Irish government who are demanding to know the terms of any deal.

It was fear of a Labour government, and Kevin McNamara as Northern Ireland secretary, which persuaded the nine MPs that the Tory government and the Ulster Unionists needed each other. The Unionists said the votes of the past two days were unlikely to be the last and, unless the government was more sensitive to the loyalist community, it could not count on their future support.

In playing the "orange card", Mr Major engaged in a risky tactic. In a telephone call to James Molyneaux, the Unionists' leader, he emphasised that the vote had become an issue of confidence in the government. The Unionists did not divulge this until 10pm. If it had been known earlier, the defeat would have been more damaging for Mr Major as he would have lost on an issue of confidence.

It is understood that Tony Newton, the Commons leader, has told the Unionists that Northern Ireland measures will be given a higher status and more time in the Commons. If the talks process restarts in the autumn, the Unionists now predict swift progress on devolving some powers back to the province.

Labour and SDLP MPs said that the standing of Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, had been damaged. He was bypassed in the final agreement between Mr Major and Mr Molyneaux.

John Hume, the SDLP leader, sought and received assurances yesterday that no deal was made. However, his officials accused the government of throwing in its lot with the Unionists. "Britain can no longer pretend to be a neutral arbiter in the talks process. This has poisoned the waters."

## Rebel who rose from his bed heads hit list

BY JILL SHERMAN
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THE Tory rebel William Walker was well on his way to the gallows yesterday after defying the government whips by arriving secretly at the Commons on Thursday night to vote against the government. Despite ministers' attempts to "kiss and make up" with some of the rebels, Mr Walker appeared to have gone too far for the thought police.

As stories of deceit, deals and bullyboy tactics were swapped, denied and embroidered at Westminster the word went out that Mr Walker "would suffer the most severe disciplinary action".

Mr Walker, MP for Tayside North, wrote to Richard Ryder, the government chief whip, several weeks ago claiming that he was so ill that he would be unable to attend the Commons till October. Over the past week the whips' office tried to contact him on several occasions by telephoning his home to find out whether the arch-Eurosceptic intended to vote. However, according to the whips, Mr Walker's family claimed that he was too ill to talk to them.

One business manager, still boiling with anger, said: "He had every opportunity to get in touch to notify us whether he had changed his mind and intended to come down. The first we knew about him being here was about five minutes before the vote, when we were asked by Labour to nod him through. We refused." He added: "Mr Walker is definitely at the top of our hit list."

Apparently Mr Walker had come down by train to London without letting the whips know and had then gone into hiding at the Tory rebel headquarters in Great College Street. He was later smuggled into the Commons family room, reportedly with Labour connivance, and remained closeted among the playpens and furry animals till 10pm. Six MPs who were too ill to walk through the division lobbies, including Michael Heseltine and John Patten, were nodded through by prior agreement at about 9.50. That means their presence within the Commons precinct is recorded by a whip from both sides and their vote is given in the lobby by the deputy chief whip.

When the Tory whips refused to nod Mr Walker through, he decided to vote in person in the division lobbies. The whips remonstrated and tried to prevent him doing so, fearing his vote could prove critical to the government's defeat.

The Labour tellers were so confused that the vote was held up for at least five minutes, prompting an error that added one vote to the Labour side. Yesterday Mr Walker laid low again but decided not to incur further wrath and the near certain withdrawal of the Tory whip by voting with the government. The government delayed its most aggressive arm-twisting until 90 minutes before the vote when cabinet ministers tried to pick off individual rebels. Iain Duncan Smith, Tory MP for Chingford, was at one point surrounded by nine cabinet ministers and whips trying to put pressure on him to change his mind at the last minute. Earlier the prime minister had also tried his charms, claiming he was one of the brightest young MPs, again to no avail.

Barry Legg, MP for Milton Keynes South West, had the same treatment. He was marched into the whips' office and told that all his previous indiscretions would be forgiven and his slate wiped clean if he backed down.

Nicholas Soames, MP for Crawley, employed more civilised tactics to woo Teresa Gorman, MP for Billericay, by offering her a huge bouquet of flowers.

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## Mystery MP has Labour all out for the count

BY SHEILA GUNN
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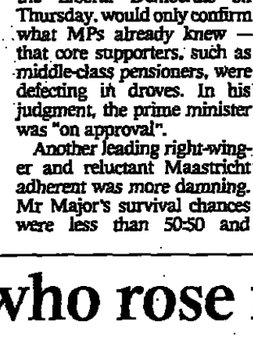
A NEW Labour MP called Mr Allout was born yesterday thanks to a Conservative party whip. His unexpected appearance was responsible for the mistake in the figures for the votes for Labour's motion on Thursday.

Initially the result was read out in the dramatic atmosphere of the Commons chamber as 317 to 317. Betty Boothroyd, the Speaker, was forced to use her casting vote, which according to convention was in favour of the government so that Labour's motion was lost by one vote.

A rather petulant Tony Newton, Commons leader, rose in the chamber before John Major opened yesterday's confidence motion to complain that the result was wrong and the government had had a majority of one without the Speaker's casting vote. "On that basis, the Opposition amendment would have been rejected without your casting vote."

Labour MP Dennis Skinner shouted: "Is it not significant that this government that has lost its authority and confidence of the Commons hasn't even got whips and tellers that are capable of counting. No wonder the country is up to the neck in debt"

The Speaker promised that the mistake would be investigated. But *The Times* can disclose what happened. Tensions were running high in the division lobbies at 10.10pm. Irvine Patnick, a robust Tory whip, was counting the Labour MPs passing through the voting lobby. As the last name was called out, the cry of "all out" went up.



Patnick: overcome by heat of the moment

Normally the MP for Sheffield Hallam carries out this task in an energetic yet meticulous fashion. In the heat of the moment, however, poor Mr Patnick recorded "all out" as a voter on his chart.

☐ Rupert Allason, the spy writer turned Conservative MP, was out in the cold last night after becoming the only Tory to fail to support the government yesterday (Nicholas Wood writes).

Mr Allason, who has not always supported the government over Europe, flew to Bermuda via New York on Thursday, so missing the critical Commons divisions of the past two days. After strenuous but unsuccessful efforts by the whips to contact him, he was ordered back to London last night by Richard Ryder, the chief whip.

Mr Allason, who works under the pseudonym Nigel West, could be punished by the withdrawal of the Conservative whip.

## Major goes on air to bury problems

THE prime minister last night declared the government's problems over Maastricht dead and buried. In a series of TV interviews he played down the Tory rebellion over Europe which led to tonight's successful confidence motion.

Mr Major laid the blame for the problems on getting the Maastricht bill through the Commons on the "unscrupulousness" of Labour and the Liberal Democrats. He condemned them for playing "silly games of party politics" and voting against what they actually believed in.

"The matter is now behind us. We have drawn a line in the sand. The atmosphere in the Conservative Parliamentary party today was superb. Everyone was back in the fold," he told ITN.

He stressed that he now wanted to concentrate on the issues of crime and the economy. "There is a lot of work we need to do, that we want to get on to and over which the Conservative party is absolutely united," he said.

He told BBC1's *Six O'Clock News*: "As far as the Conservative party is concerned, the matter is done and gone. The country is sick and tired of hearing about this particular bill."

He told *Sky News* he would be seeking to claw back some areas of regulation from Brussels over the coming months. "There are areas where I expect in December we will be able to repatriate some of those things," he said. "Europe will develop one way or another in the years to come. What we need to make sure is that it develops with the British influence determining how it develops," he added.

Denying he was a weak leader, he added: "There has been a very great dispute over the last few months over European policy. People have played very hard ball."

☐ Bookmakers Ladbrokes still rate the Tories as favourites for the next General Election. The odds are: 4/6 Tories; evens Labour; 50/1 Liberal Democrats.

Rival bookmakers William Hill quoted odds of 4/7 that Mr Major would not lead the Tory Party at the next General Election, and 5/4 that he would.



# Humiliating events have left No 10 with few weapons in the armoury

John Major *can* survive as prime minister. This week's events have been humiliating, further undermining his already fragile political authority. But they have not necessarily been fatal. His position is not *yet* as vulnerable as Eden's in late 1956 *following the Suez war*, or Balfour's before his government resigned in 1905. *He is still more* determined than either to see off his enemies. Mr Major's current predicament is more comparable to the conditional support of Tory MPs for Macmillan's in midsummer 1963 after the Profumo crisis. *He can still* recover, but a further debacle could be terminal.

Nevertheless, Mr Major will need a large dose of self-discipline from Tory MPs, a rapid appreciation by party activists and voters that economic recovery is really under way, more decisive leadership than he has shown until recently, a *period of quiet over* Europe and plenty of good luck.

There was a sense of anti-climax at Westminster yesterday. The nuclear threat worked, as such deterrents are supposed to do. The Euro-sceptics swung back behind the government. The talk in the lobbies was inevitably of drawing a line, no recriminations and coming together. But that was mainly immediate relief that the Maastricht question has finally been confronted and resolved, in Parliament at least, with only the court challenge to face before Britain *ratifies the treaty*.

The optimistic ministerial view — as signalled by Douglas Hurd in his eloquent winding-up speech — *is that yesterday's debate, plus* the growing signs of economic recovery, could mark a turning point. On this view, the Tory party can now start healing its wounds. Most MPs can unite around a new agenda stressing an enlarged, decentralised, and more democratic Europe. In place of *recurrent difficulties over Maastricht*, ministers will now shift attention to the domestic agenda, law and order, education, deregulation and so on.

Instead of tacking and weaving, as he did earlier in the Maastricht *affair, Mr Major acted decisively* in insisting that the issue be brought to a head immediately. Without Maastricht, Mr Major can be *more positive and self*-confident, sounding like the head of a majority government.

Perhaps. The apocalyptic case can be exaggerated. But last night's mood of euphoria could soon evaporate. Mr Major has been seriously damaged. As John Smith argued yesterday in a *typically witty speech, his very* decision to threaten a general election highlighted his weakness. It was an act of desperation. It worked but it used up a lot of political reserves. Mr Major cannot give a similar warning again.

The *prime minister faces* several traps. First, next Thursday, will come the Christchurch by-election which the Tories look likely to lose by a big margin. That will trigger further rumblings of discontent with the Tory leadership. *This would be much more* dangerous if MPs were still at Westminster rather than starting their recess next Tuesday.

Ministerial hopes that MPs will be in a better mood after their holidays are premature. The wounds *of Maastricht will last for some* time. The Euro-sceptics have not suddenly become reconciled to government policy, and the support of many more Tory MPs for Mr Major depends on an improvement in their party's fortunes. *Some ministers* have already begun, discreetly, to distance themselves from Mr Major.

Morale in the constituencies is low. Key activists are openly critical of Mr Major and Conservative Central Office, and membership *is falling*. So the party conference in early October could be fractious. If *it is really bitter* and divided, then Mr Major could face a renewed crisis of confidence. And the budget on November 30 with the probability of unpopular public spending and tax measures is unlikely to help *Tory fortunes*.

Talk of a "stalking horse" candidate against Mr Major when the new parliamentary session starts could recur during the summer, but is largely irrelevant. Comparisons with the end of the *Thatcher premiership in* November 1990 are misplaced. Then, Michael Heseltine was on the back benches as a formidable challenger. Mr Major has no equivalent potential alternative. Moreover, 34 MPs have to back *any nomination, a high hurdle*.

The real threat to Mr Major comes from events and from within his own cabinet. He will be in serious trouble if the Tories lose further by-elections, and have bad results in the local elections next May and in the Euro-elections next June. If the Tories are routed *then, many Tory MPs and ministers* may feel that a change of leadership is necessary if they are to win the next election. If he loses their confidence, he will go.

The danger for Mr Major is if, or when, Tory MPs calculate that their interests are different from his. That has not happened, *yet*.

PETER RIDDELL

# Colleagues urged Major to play confidence card

BY PHILIP WEBSTER
POLITICAL EDITOR

**■ Pressure from ministers added to John Major's conviction that he must stake all in the struggle to win the Maastricht debate**

THREE cabinet heavyweights were *behind the decision that* John Major should face down his humiliating defeat on the social chapter with an immediate confidence motion and the threat of a general election, it emerged last night.

*Knowing of Mr Major's* support for the idea, Kenneth Clarke, Douglas Hurd and Michael Howard formally proposed it to the special meeting of the cabinet held at 7pm on Thursday as the debate was proceeding. It followed advice from Richard *Ryder, the chief whip, that* they were heading for defeat.

An earlier meeting of the three ministers, and others, on Wednesday night had decided that the so-called "nuclear" option should be employed if *the government went down in* either of the two votes. Mr Major was not at that meeting but his willingness to make Maastricht a confidence issue had long been apparent.

They acknowledged that it carried risks. By attaching a confidence vote to the govern*ment's policy on the social* chapter there could be no certainty that the "irreconcilables", as the hardline rebels were known, would come to heel. But it was seen as the best hope of ending the *festering internal dispute* before the summer recess.

The idea was not discussed at Thursday morning's weekly cabinet. When it met in the prime minister's room at the Commons that evening, the cabinet heard *Mr Ryder's* latest calculations. After a day of continuous pressure on the rebels, it looked black. Even with the votes of the nine Ulster Unionists, which at that time had not been secured, the government could not be sure of prevailing.

The foreign secretary, home secretary and Chancellor all urged strongly that the "nuclear" option should be taken if, as expected, they went down. There were doubts. Some ministers argued that it would be better to wait until next week, allowing passions to cool and giving the rebels time to *grasp the enormity of* a vote against the government. The support of his three most senior colleagues for a general election threat also meant that all his potential successors were bound to Mr Major. If he *went down, so would they*.

Mr Ryder's predictions had been similarly bleak earlier in the day when Mr Major and key ministers had a discussion after cabinet. Even then there were the gravest doubts over *the numbers, but it was* agreed that there should be an all-out effort by ministers during the day. They would reconvene later.

Mr Major has been ready since the first Danish referendum to turn ratification of Maastricht into a confidence *issue. In the run-up to the* "paving" debate on November 4, it was first reported that Mr Major would call a general election if he lost, then it was claimed that he would himself stand down if he lost.

On Thursday morning, Mr Major made clear again that he was more than ready to go down the "confidence" route. A cabinet colleague said: "John is having a rough time, but he has never lacked in courage."

When they considered the options before them, ministers agreed that the "limbo" op*tion, the one that eventually* occurred when they were defeated, was preferable to being landed with Labour's amendment backing the social chapter. "Limbo", the failure to achieve the resolution re*quired under the Maastricht* Act, at least made it easier to play the confidence card.

Before that decision was taken the cabinet received legal advice about the constitutional propriety of issuing such a threat. The Queen, some experts claim, could theoretically have turned down Mr Major's request for a dissolution and asked someone else, perhaps Kenneth Clarke, to try to form a government.

By securing unanimous cabinet agreement for the strategy Mr Major had in any case made that unlikely; and as he said yesterday: "If a government cannot carry its business, a dissolution would be granted."

*Mr Major* delivered his brief statement and shell-shocked MPs pondered its implications. The gamble paid off, as it had to. But it was a last resort.



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SIMON WALKER



Street theatre: Douglas Hurd, left, runs into the arch Euro-sceptic William Cash outside Broadcasting House, London, yesterday

# Dangerous days that lie ahead

BY SHEILA GUNN
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JOHN Major's hopes of drawing a line under the past year and starting afresh with a united party look certain to be frustrated by his agenda.

He should enjoy a brief respite during official visits to Sweden and Japan and a summer holiday in *Portugal*.

But Europe as an issue will not go away. The greatest obstacle facing Mr Major is next year's European elections. Some pundits predict a Tory collapse and a fresh *leadership crisis*.

The hurdles ahead include:
**July 26:** start of Lord Rees-Mogg's legal challenge to the Maastricht treaty
**July 29:** Christchurch by-election
**October 5-8:** Conservative party conference, Blackpool
**October:** Possible special EC summit under Belgian presidency to review progress of Maastricht treaty
**October 18:** Commons returns
**November:** possible leadership challenge
**November 30:** Budget/public spending statement
**April 1, 1994:** 8.5 per cent VAT imposed on home heating bills
**May 5, 1994:** Local elections in *English and Welsh district* councils, Scottish regions and London borough councils
**June 16, 1994:** Elections to European parliament.

# Eurocrats give scant respect to long overdue conclusion

FROM GEORGE BROCK IN BRUSSELS AND PATRICK MOSER IN BONN

A WAVE of relief spread among EC diplomats and officials yesterday as they realised, after much baffle*ment at* Thursday night's scenes in the Commons, that John Major at last had called a halt to the parliamentary struggle over Maastricht.

"Major's finally shown some leadership," said one Eurocrat. "A *bit late in the* day, but he's done it."

*But the threat* that currency dealers posed to the French franc and the entire exchange-rate mechanism overshadowed the votes and legal challenges to the treaty in Germany as well as Britain. Rumours about *devaluation of* several currencies and the ruin of Maastricht's single-currency plans *made up most* of the gossip yesterday in Brussels.

Maastricht addicts in the city were able to follow on cable television or Radio 4 what Belgium's *Le Soir* called "the *last episode of the serial*" at Westminster on Thursday. They were fascinated, but mystified.

"There is, of course, an element of great democracy in Britain, but you have 15 MPs keeping their country and, indeed, Europe on hold. It is absolutely obscure," *one man* said. A diplomat was not impressed by the sight of a prime minister barely in control of Parliament. "Major lost *some feathers in this fight*," he said.

In Germany, the left-of-centre newspaper *Frankfurter Rundschau* said in an editorial comment that there was hardly a European country *that needed a social reform* policy more than Britain.

"A true heir of Margaret Thatcher (in this respect), John Major is working hard towards a kingdom which profiles itself internationally as a *cheap wage state with as little* employee protection as possible *and minimal social costs* for the state and enterprises," the newspaper said.

# Embattled candidate puts on a brave face

BY JONATHAN PRYNN

ROB Hayward, the embattled Conservative candidate in the Christchurch by-election, produced brave words and a set smile at his press conference yesterday. *But he could not disguise* his dismay at yet another barrage of bad publicity. *John Major* may have won his vote of confidence, but he looks a badly damaged leader in the once safe Tory seat.

A further set-back to Conservative morale is expected today with the publication in the Bournemouth newspaper, the *Evening Echo*, of a poll of a thousand Christchurch voters which is expected to show a huge swing to the *Liberal Democrats*.

Support for the government on the streets of Christchurch was even harder to detect yesterday, with only a fraction of voters *now prepared to commit* themselves to voting Conservative.

On the Maastricht issue, the electorate of Christchurch remains obstinately indifferent. When mainly elderly Conservative voters met Mr Hayward yesterday morning, the treaty was raised only after questions on more accessible subjects, ranging from VAT on fuel bills to the future of the defence *industry*.

One elderly lady provoked murmurs of assent when she complained that the government had failed to explain the significance of the treaty to the people of Britain. "Nobody has a clue what it is all about," she said.

Even so, both opposition parties predictably wasted no time in exploiting yet another serious blow to the government's credibility. Alex Carlile, the Liberal Democrat employment spokesman who was in Christchurch yesterday, said the government had been mortally wounded by the defeat in the Commons. "The least that can happen as a result of last night's events is that John Major's future is *extremely limited*," he said.

Labour's visiting dignitary, Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, said the Maastricht debate had exposed "the shameful spectacle of John Major doing deals in the corridors of Westminster to save his own job".

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## 'I am not prepared to let Maastricht poison the political atmosphere any longer'

# Major urges Tory opponents to end Europe stalemate

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY AND ROBERT MORGAN

JOHN Major fought to break away from Conservative warfare over Maastricht yesterday by pleading with backbench rebels not to jeopardise the government's future.

During a speech in which he repeatedly threatened the prospect of a general election if the government lost the confidence motion, the prime minister urged backbenchers to look forward.

In a clear attempt to put Thursday's defeat on the social chapter behind him, Mr Major told MPs: "I am not prepared to let it poison the political atmosphere any longer. The boil must be lanced and it must be lanced today."

Maastricht had obscured the many achievements of the government during its first 15 months in office. Although one-third of the government's manifesto pledges had been fulfilled, "most of those will have been masked from public gaze by the disputes over European policy". "Parliament must put this stalemate over Europe behind it."

Mr Major warned MPs not to be fooled into believing that they were voting again on the social chapter and into supporting Labour's amendment on the chapter. "Lest there be any doubt in the mind of any MP, that issue of confidence also extends to the Opposition amendment. No MP should be under any misapprehension about that even though its terms are intended to entrap the unwary. It is precisely the amendment that was defeated yesterday.

"At the conclusion of this debate, either the government will have won the vote of confidence and can proceed with its policies, subject to one outstanding court case, or we will have lost and I will seek the dissolution of Parliament."

Mr Major again tried to convince potential Tory rebels of the dangers of accepting the social chapter protocol. Britain had already saved more than £6 billion by strenuously resisting measures brought forward by the Community. The working time directive and part-time directive, were, "largely through our efforts, now stalled", he said.

Turning his attack on John Smith, the prime minister said: "You wouldn't have to pay the price of your attitudes — the price would be paid by millions of men and women working hard to hold down jobs, bring up families and improve their working conditions."

At any time, the social chapter would be "an unwarranted intrusion into British life", Mr Major said. "Now, when recovery is beginning to emerge, it would put that recovery at risk. The most fatuous comment this House has heard for months was your assertion yesterday that the social chapter would create jobs and not cost them — only in unemployment offices would it create jobs."

Mr Major rounded on Tony **Marlow** (C, Northampton N), one of the leading Tory rebels, who claimed that social chapter provisions would be imposed on Britain because of the "wretched" Maastricht treaty. The prime minister retorted: "What I fail to understand is why you wish to impose extra costs on companies in your constituency and put your constituents out of work — I hope you can justify it."

Reminding past rebels of the significance of the confidence vote, Mr Major insisted: "I made it perfectly clear that if we lost a division today that I would seek a dissolution of Parliament. And if a government cannot carry its business, a dissolution of Parliament would undoubtedly be granted."

**Seamus Mallon** (SDLP, Newry & Armagh), demanded to know about the "sordid deals" arranged with the Ulster Unionists to secure their support in Thursday's vote. Mr Major rejected the accusation."Nothing was asked for, nothing was offered and nothing was given," he sadi.

Telling Tories of the general election result in which the government gained "the largest popular vote in British history", he said: "It was a vote for policies for economic recovery which we are now getting, private enterprise which we will sustain and individual freedom which we are extending."

Concentrating his attack again on Labour's objectives, he told Mr Smith: "One whiff of new regulation, a new burden, a new cost from Europe, and you yelp that you want it too." Accusing the Labour leader of being a "glove puppet" of the trade unions, he said: "The last thing we want is a government committed to putting trade union bosses back in the boardroom and I cannot believe that this House will vote for that."

**John Smith** replied that the government had betrayed pledge after pledge, bungled policy after policy, and was now in disarray and defeat.

The Labour leader called on MPs to support the social chapter of the Maastricht treaty to give the British people the same rights and opportunities as were available throughout the rest of the European Community.

"By courtesy of the prime minister, we can do more than that. The House can express its lack of confidence in a government which has no confidence and deserves none," he said.

Mr Smith said that the amendment to the Maastricht bill that had led to Thursday's historic debate and government defeat, the so-called ticking time-bomb, had blown up, "wiping the smiles off the faces of the whips and destroying the prime minister's credibility and authority". On Thursday they had seen a government prepared to do anything, to say anything, to avoid its own self-constructed humiliation.

Who knew, he said, what shady deals the prime minister had made, a prime minister who had the gall to talk about "cynical alliances". To laughter and cheers from his backbenchers, Mr Smith said: "I sometimes think that when the prime minister tries to select a weapon, it is the boomerang he finds most effective."

Mr Smith was loudly cheered by Labour MPs when he rose, and even more loudly cheered as he sat down after what many observers regarded as one of his most effective attacks on the prime minister since becoming Labour leader 12 months ago.

When **Kenneth Clarke**, the Chancellor, intervened to say that unemployment in Europe was rising faster than in Britain because of the social chapter, Mr Smith said: "Mr Clarke said that with more confidence than the prime minister in his speech."

With Mr Clarke widely tipped to take over should Mr Major fall, Mr Smith added: "Let's reflect on what result the Chancellor wants in the division tonight." He added that he had been generous in giving way to interventions from "many of the aspirants" for the Tory leadership.

Mr Smith opened by saying that on Thursday night the prime minister had suffered a humiliating defeat. "It was a defeat not just on a crucial plank of his European policy, but on the single issue which he has taken as the flagship of his administration."

He recalled Mr Major's triumphant declaration at Maastricht that it was "game, set and match" for Britain. "Nineteen months later, after endless foot faults, double faults and mis-hits, he was struggling with a tie-break, and today, like some petulant tennis prima donna, he is threatening to take his racket away."

He suggested that the prime minister, a keen cricket fan, should stick to cricket metaphors. "But then again, perhaps not. After all, he was clean-bowled yesterday and he has been forced to follow on today," Mr Smith said.

He spoke of the "absurdity of Mr Major's stance on the social chapter opt-out because it left this country with no influence over matters of great concern".

"The triumph of the ace negotiator is an empty chair for Britain at the council of ministers," he said. The prime minister was suggesting that "in order to opt in, Britain somehow has to opt out."

The country did not understand why they had a government that wanted to deny to ordinary people the social rights, opportunities and advantages that the whole of the Community enjoyed.

He accused Mr Major of abandoning his "flawed" arguments. "The prime minister has backed against the wall and has been forced, in order to survive, to threaten his own party with electoral suicide." The tactic of employing a "quasi-motion of confidence" was not a sign of confidence but a display of weakness. Mr Major, he said, had lost the argument in a House in which he had a clear overall majority on the most important aspect of his legislative programme and one which he stamped with his own personal design and authority.

Mr Smith went on: "As a result of his failure, he has been forced to make a humiliating threat to his own party that unless they come into the government lobby today, he will press the self-destruct button of a general election, which he and and his colleagues know would result in a massive defeat for the government.

"Former leaders of the Conservative party will be turning in their graves at what is being done in the name of the Conservative party today."

Mr Smith said he would welcome a general election: "I think we should put the matter speedily to a test. If the government thinks it has got the right policies and the support of the people, it has nothing to fear." He challenged Tories to go into the lobby "to make sure a general election happens". To Labour cheers, he said: "They could get back and have five more years in power. Why don't the Tories seize the advantage?"

When **Sir Teddy Taylor** (C, Southend E), a leading opponent of the European Community, intervened to say that after the Maastricht treaty there would be few issues to talk about during an election, Mr Smith replied that millions of people would like to talk about the imposition of VAT on heating bills.

Mr Smith said that Tories would be wondering "how did the prime minister manage to get himself into this mess". He said: "After all, he must have known that the Commons could not be indefinitely denied the opportunity to vote on whether or not the social chapter should be part of the treaty. He tried to duck and weave, to postpone and evade, right throughout the lengthy deliberations on the bill.

"When it came to the crunch, Mr Major could not command the support of his own party and yesterday we saw, as so often before, a government prepared to do anything, say anything, to get out of its latest self-constructed humiliation."

Mr Smith said this was "just the latest in a series of crisis after crisis which is the very defining characteristic of this administration".

The government was "destroying our coal industry, causing chaos in our schools, threatening our railway network and proposing to tax millions of families on the heating of their homes to pay for their feckless incompetence and their economic policies. This is the very government which is threatening the public services upon which millions of our fellow citizens depend and, what's more, constantly undermining our democracy by the constant arrogation of power unto itself."

**Paddy Ashdown**, the Liberal Democrat leader, hailed the confidence vote as testament to the total failure of the prime minister's Maastricht strategy. Mr Major was paying the price for trying to put party unity before the needs of the country. "He has failed to provide the lead to his party and he has failed to provide the lead to his country."

Mr Ashdown also accused Mr Major of making a "fatal mistake" in dealing with his own backbenchers. "The prime minister has been trying to sell two different messages." While trying to say one thing to European partners, he was returning to the Commons and saying a different thing.

**Douglas Hurd**, the foreign secretary, said that Mr Ashdown, by voting against the motion to proceed with treaty ratification, had shown his aim was "neither the social chapter nor ratification of the treaty but simply embarrassment of the government".

Mr Ashdown continued to accuse the prime minister of making critical mistakes. "This issue of the social chapter did not have to come up now. He could have faced it weeks ago. But he delayed and delayed and delayed.

"Now he brings it to us at the very last moment — and the only way he can get it through is to stake his own personal authority and the capacity of the government to survive, in order to enable him to get his way."

The "game, set and match" which Mr Major had claimed to have won at Maastricht had turned into "a crisis of his own authority — the ball and chain which started off as 'game, set and match'.

"What he now has is a party so riven by civil war, so infected by its own internal enmity, that frankly they cannot provide any longer the effective united government which this country needs."

When Tory MPs entered the government division lobbies, "they will not be expressing confidence in him. They will be expressing no confidence in their capacity to hold their seats under his leadership."

The chamber, which had been far from full for most of the debate, was packed to overflowing when **Douglas Hurd** rose to make what he said was to be the last speech in the last debate on the ratification of the Maastricht treaty.

After Thursday night's vote, the government had decided that the issue could not drift through the summer recess, he said. "We decided we needed to ask the House to resolve it today — and that not only the authority of government, but the reputation of Parliament, depended on doing that."

Some Tories, he said, had been prepared to support the social chapter in the hope that they could defeat the treaty. "That hope has gradually faded. It shrivelled yesterday and it is dead today."

To laughter, he acknowledged that he had "heartily disagreed" with them and had often wished they would go away and "get lost". Now it was time to look to the future with economic recovery under way. "That situation arises after a year which has been extremely rough with many misfortunes and, no doubt, a share of mistakes. I believe this afternoon we can put behind us not just the long, necessary and debilitating debate about Maastricht. We can put behind us the whole year of roughness and misfortune.

"Because of the coming together of this debate on Maastricht and the economic news, we can go away for the recess with greater confidence than at any time since the last general election. Under the leadership of the prime minister, we have cultivated the land well despite much rough weather. We have sown good seed and we can now work together to bring in a good harvest," Mr Hurd said.

He was preceeded by **George Robertson**, Labour's spokesman on Europe, who had coined the phrase "ticking time-bomb" which was to cause so much agony for the government. Mr Robertson said that across the country millions upon millions of people would be of one mind and have one message to the Conservatives: let us have that general election.

But the prime minister's threat to call one was "only a ploy, a dangerous, right-over-the-top, desperate ploy, to get through a policy where he has lost the argument, lost the case, lost his majority and lost authority".

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On trial: John Smith points an accusing finger during yesterday's debate at members of the government front bench, from left Douglas Hurd, Tony Newton, John Major, Kenneth Clarke, Michael Howard, John MacGregor and David Hunt

### DIVISION RESULTS

Labour's amendment was rejected by 339 to 301, a government majority of 38.

The confidence motion was then carried by 339 to 299, a government majority of 40.

The government motion stated: That this House has confidence in the policy of Her Majesty's Government on the adoption of the protocol on the social policy.

The Opposition amendment was worded in the same terms as Thursday's amendment on which there was the tied vote. It said: That, in the opinion of this House, Her Majesty's Government should not deposit the articles of ratification of the Treaty of European Union with the government of the Italian Republic until such time as it has given notification to the European Community that it intends to adopt the agreement attached to protocol on social policy.

## Heath pleads with rebels

BY ROBERT MORGAN
POLITICAL STAFF

SIR EDWARD Heath, who negotiated Britain's entry into Europe in 1971 and 1972, appealed to potential Tory rebels to support the government.

In a chamber that quickly filled as he began to speak, the former prime minister said the rebels had lost the battle and now should support the prime minister and the Conservative party. He said of the rebels: "They can show now that they can accept the decision."

Sir Edward said: "For nearly 60 years I have been a member of this party, through good times and bad times, in government and out of government. I believe profoundly and passionately in it. I do not now want to see it brought to an end or its government brought to an end by a small minority in our own party."



Heath: the rebels have now lost the battle

Of John Major, he said: "In taking this action the prime minister has acted with complete honesty, great integrity and what he has done is right. What is more, he has acted speedily and he has put the whole situation in the hands of this House. For that, I think he is to be loudly and widely commended."

## Curtain call as 14-month show ends

BY ARTHUR LEATHLEY

MANY of the heroes and villains who have strutted the Commons stage during the 14-month Maastricht epic re-emerged for yesterday's curtain call.

**Dame Jill Knight** (C, Edgbaston), a vice-chairman of the Tory backbench 1922 Committee, invited former Tory adversaries to link arms. "I salute the integrity of honourable friends who have fought their fight through this battle. But they have lost the battle, because, however keenly they feel, the truth is that they are democrats at heart."

**Sir Peter Emery** (C, Honiton), a former minister, said: "The government benches absolutely and completely support the prime minister, support the prime minister's government and support the prime minister's policy."

But the bonhomie was soured by **Ken Livingstone** (Lab, Brent E), the left-wing anti-Europe Labour MP, who watched forlornly as his confederate Tory rebels backed down from the ultimate revolt. "The rebels, who will be driven through the lobby today, will never forgive. Today's short-term victory will be gained at the expense of defeat for the Tories at the next election," he said.

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## Euro-sceptics suspend hostilities over treaty

Two of the most outspoken members of the Tory rebel camp signalled a lifting of hostilities over Maastricht by pledging support for the government in the critical vote of confidence.

*Richard Shepherd* (C, Aldridge-Brownhills), said the government had been "brought to its knees, such that it has to seek a confidence motion".

Mr Shepherd, a fervent anti-Maaastricht campaigner who helped to inflict Thursday's defeat on the government, explained why he would back ministers in the confidence vote.

"This will be a fine government, it will be a government one day that is worthy of this party and worthy of this country." But he warned ministers: "Those that have come to control a great and dignified party are the servants of that party and they are not at the moment well fitted for that when they discharge their responsibilities in this manner."

The government was "standing in front of us, shaking, on the basis that there may be an election, that it has lost the confidence of this House. There is no threat in that, because if we believe in the people, then we must believe in their judgment and the prime minister is quite right to hold out to the nation the prospect that they may judge on these issues."

He insisted that he would never be reconciled to a vote for Maastricht without a referendum and protested at last week's rejection of a poll by "the unelected and undemocratic" Lords.

William Cash (C, Stafford), one of Mr Shepherd's close colleagues in the anti-Mastricht lobby, also declared his support for the government. "I will not in any way resile from the objections I have to this treaty but I am damned if I will have Labour running the affairs of this country within the Maastricht arrangements."

Insisting that he had not been forced to toe the government line, he said: "This is a decision which is taken by me on my own terms."

In spite of his deep misgivings about the future structure of Europe, he said it would be "ten times worse" if Labour or Liberal Democrat rule followed a general election. But Mr Cash, one of the rebels' chief spokesmen, insisted: "Nobody can doubt that the federalism I predicted many years ago has now become a kind of religious hysteria for some EC member states. We will be locked into this structure with what I believe to be very deleterious results as far as the UK is concerned."

Attacking Labour's stance during the months of debate, Mr Cash said that, "if there had been even the slightest suggestion at any point in the proceedings that Labour was actually prepared to ditch this wretched treaty, I would have a lot more respect for them."

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# Blenheim trustees start legal moves to disinherit marquess

BY ALAN HAMILTON

**■ The prospect of a drug addict becoming the master of Blenheim Palace has prompted drastic action by the estate's guardians**

THE slow-grinding wheels of the law have been set in motion in an attempt to strip the wayward Marquess of Blandford of his rightful inheritance, and to transfer Blenheim Palace with its accompanying £100 million fortune into steadier hands.

Solicitors acting for the trustees of the Duke of Marlborough's estate have issued proceedings in the Chancery division of the High Court which seek to alter the terms of inheritance laid down by Act of Parliament in 1704 when a grateful nation awarded John Churchill land and a dukedom for his victory at Blenheim. They also seek to overturn the English tradition of primogeniture, by which the eldest son inherits all.

Jamie Blandford, 37, eldest son of the present duke, would in normal circumstances expect to inherit the palace, its art treasures and its 11,500 acres of Oxfordshire. But he is a self-confessed drug addict with a number of drug-related convictions. Since being released after three days in Pentonville prison last month for non-payment of maintenance to his estranged wife Becky, he has been in a private residential drug addiction clinic at Harrow-on-the-Hill, northwest London.

The Marlborough fortune is held in a trust, administered by three independent trustees, all family friends: Rupert Hambro, of the merchant banking family; Richard Beckett, a barrister; and Sir Arthur Collins, a retired diplomat. The trustees, with the duke's backing, are seeking legal authority to set up a new trust into which the bulk of the estate could be diverted and kept out of reach of the marquess.

Mr Hambro would only say yesterday that the trustees were seeking an order to set up a new trust which would give them different powers. It is known, however, that the duke would like the estate to pass initially to his younger son Edward, 19, and eventually to Jamie Blandford's two-year-old son George, Earl of Sunderland.



Blandford: living at drug addiction clinic

The proceedings, issued by the London solicitors Withers, seek an order appointing Edward "or some other fit and proper person" to represent the family on the new trust.

Trustees are also clearly concerned that the marquess, who admitted to spending £20,000 in four months on cocaine in the 1980s, might at some stage be declared bankrupt, causing bailiffs to enter Blenheim and seize some of its works of art.

Legal authorities yesterday could not recall any similar case of the old landed aristocracy attempting to disinherit the eldest son through the courts. They also believed that, if the case proceeded, it could be long and immensely costly.

James Morton, editor of the *New Law Journal*, said: "The courts are being asked to overturn the terms of the settlement laid down in 1704. The trustees are obviously trying to protect the estate from being squandered away. But if the courts start meddling in this, where will it all end?"



HARRY KERR

On the shelf: Kumba, left, has failed to woo Bafia, right, so she will undergo artificial insemination with help from his namesake

# Scientists play the mating game with lovelorn gorilla

BY RICHARD DUCE

A 25-YEAR-OLD female who has lost her sex-drive will be the subject of the first European attempt to produce gorilla offspring by artificial insemination.

Bafia has failed to mate with Kumba, the male gorilla at Chessington World of Adventures in Surrey, so an attempt will be made in September to impregnate her with sperm from a male at London zoo.

Chessington World of Adventures said yesterday: "Female gorillas are more fussy than humans when it comes to choosing a mate."

The London male, also called Kumba, shares an enclosure with two females. He will be anaesthetised for the operation to remove his sperm, which will involve a veterinary surgeon, a scientist and a nurse from a London teaching hospital. The sperm will be taken by motorcycle to Chessington, where it will be inserted into Bafia.

It is not possible for Bafia and the London male to attempt to mate naturally because she has developed an aggressive nature and the removal of the male from London zoo would break up an established colony.

Dr Bill Holt from the Institute of Zoology will be responsible for the London operation, while Dr John Lewis, of the International Zoo Veterinary Group, will minister to Bafia with a gynaecological nursing sister, as yet to be recruited, from a London teaching hospital.

The first successful artificial insemination of a gorilla was in Melbourne, Australia, ten years ago. There was a subsequent operation in Phoenix, Arizona. Dr Holt said it was now a well-established practice for humans and cattle, but in other species the sperm lost its potency when frozen before insertion into the female.

He was uncertain about the chances of Bafia giving birth. "It will depend on whether we get the timing right and whether we get a good semen sample."

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# Catholic clergy urged to beware of conmen

BY RUTH GLEDHILL, RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

PRIESTS and nuns are falling victim to confidence tricksters in London, according to a bulletin for Roman Catholic clergy.

The latest issue of *ad clerum*, distributed in the Westminster diocese, has published a warning about the the conmen, said to be approaching convents and presbyteries in disguise and obtaining money under false pretences or by making threats.

Mgr Ralph Brown, the vicar general, said last night that priests and nuns would often give money even when they were suspicious of a request.

One of the conmen telephones presbyteries on Sunday evenings, purporting to be from a local pub. He says they need change immediately, and asks for £500 in coins in exchange for a cheque. But the pub is bogus and the cheque always bounces.

Mgr Brown said: "Most priests would not be conned by a man pretending to be a publican, because they know all the landlords in the locality. But I suppose most priests would rather get to heaven by giving money to a conman, than burn in hell for not giving to a real case of distress."

The Catholic weekly *The Tablet* said "a trusting nature is a fine thing but London clergy need to be streetwise".

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Regional development grants

# England's garden toasts its newfound lowly status

BY TONY DAWE

DOWN in the Garden of England yesterday, they were celebrating their new lowly status with a few glasses of champagne, but mostly with more austere mineral water.

Local leaders were hoping that the government's decision to make four districts of east Kent assisted areas, more often associated with northern depression, would lift the area and attract investment to end high levels of unemployment.

The celebrations were led by Sir Alastair Morton, chief executive of Eurotunnel, who flew by helicopter from London to Dover where he chairs the East Kent Initiative, a public and private sector group. Sipping sparkling water as a trickle of tourists enjoyed the breezy seaside sunshine, he welcomed the government's acknowledgement that the recession had hit the South East hard.

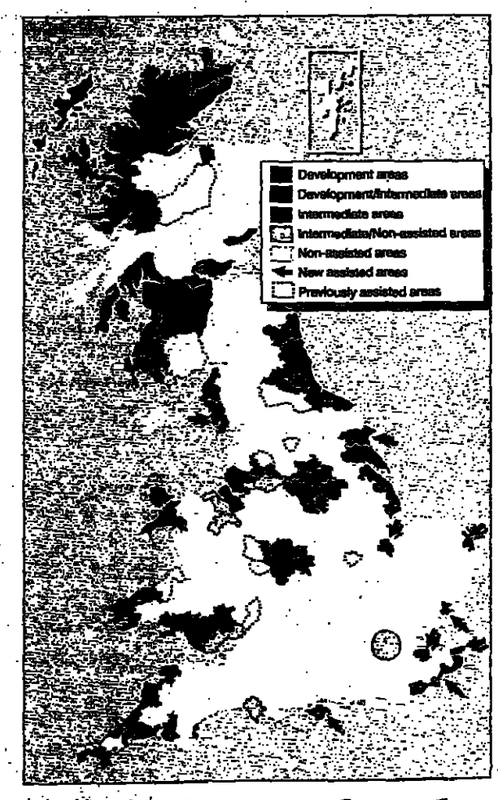
"We have cracked the conventional Whitehall and Tory party wisdom that there is no depression or misery in good solid Tory southeast England," Sir Alastair said. "The area has a completely stagnant economy, a low skill base and poor infrastructure and is on a descending spiral."

Drawing a contrast with investment in the Nord Pas-de-Calais, northern France, he said: "The notion that the French are building a shiny shop window across the Channel while we were left with some faded seaside towns has been driven home to ministers."

Unemployment in parts of east Kent is among the highest in Britain. Thanet, which includes the seaside towns of Broadstairs, Margate and Ramsgate, has the sixth worst unemployment statistics in Britain, while Swale, which includes Sittingbourne and Sheerness, is sixteenth in the table. Dover and surrounding areas are expected to lose 10,000 jobs over the next five years as cross-channel ferries cut services, the Channel tunnel's construction ends, and the creation of the single European market makes many customs jobs redundant.

Bill Croydon, Swale's chief executive, said yesterday: "We are delighted that the problems of our area have been recognised after being out on a limb for so long. The Isle of Sheppey has 16 per cent unemployment and this decision should make it easier to attract new industry to the island and to allow existing industry to expand."

Paul Watkins, the Tory leader of Dover council, said: "The projected unemployment figures for this area were quite horrendous. With the granting of assisted area status, we have an opportunity to develop a business park on the outskirts of the town. Companies are already waiting to invest in it."




# North cries foul over funds

BY NICHOLAS WATT

THE government was accused of neglecting the North yesterday after the trade and industry department announced that 16 areas outside the South had been excluded from its £300 million regional assistance scheme.

As parts of the South East qualified for help for the first time, local authorities in the North said the government had turned its back on them.

The assisted areas map provides up to £300 million in aid to 125 areas in Britain covering about 34 per cent of the working population. The map, which is the first revision since 1984, provides two tiers of assistance: development areas, which qualify for higher grants, and intermediate areas.

In drawing up the new map, the trade and industry department took into account factors such as an area's level of unemployment compared with 1984. Tim Sainsbury, the industry minister, said: "It is the changes in the relative position from 1984 that explain the changes in the map, including, most noticeably perhaps, areas in the South East of England."

Mr Sainsbury said that parts of the South had suffered more than areas in the North during the recession. "Unemployment in the South East has increased from 4 per cent of the workforce in 1990 to 10.1 per cent for the year to June 1993," he said.

He pointed out that the North East had lost only Darlington from the map.

Gerry Sutcliffe, the leader of the city council in Bradford, West Yorkshire, accused the government of turning its back on the city by removing its assisted status, a move which he said would cost the city thousands of jobs. "The business community in Bradford will be horrified," he said.

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Inspectors condemn centre's culture of confrontation that led to broken bones

# Staff ran children's home like a prison

By Ronald Faux

CARE workers at the Aycliffe centre for disturbed youngsters in co. Durham flouted the law and ignored rules by running a prison-style regime, government inspectors disclosed yesterday.

Children had bones broken and were held in arm and wrist locks in the "confrontational culture" adopted at the secure unit, one of the largest in Europe, housing rapists, child killers, arsonists and other disturbed children.

A report by the Social Services Inspectorate follows claims that children were physically injured at the Aycliffe centre. It says that Durham County Council lost control and failed to ensure young people had adequate complaints procedures. After a decision that force would be used to stop children running away, incidents of restraint using methods normally reserved for adult prisons more than doubled to 215 a month.

Announcing publication of the report in a Commons written reply, John Bowis, junior health minister, said it confirmed that children suffered physical injury when staff used tough restraint methods. "The aim must be to exercise control while minimising the risk of injury," hr said.

The practical use of force to compel children to comply with the staff's wishes contravened the 1989 Children Act, which came into force in October 1991. Three of the seven cases of fractured limbs, highlighted in an ITV documentary, happened before the tough restraint methods were introduced. According to the inspectors, the methods depended on applying pain to joints and were derived from those devised for adults in different circumstances.

The centre's methods were expressly prohibited by the county council last month, but inspectors said that it had failed to give clear guidance on alternatives. Last week, Dr Masud Hoghugi, 55, director of the centre for 22 years, announced his early retirement. The inspectors' report recommended that a senior social services manager be responsible for close supervision at Aycliffe, with another manager investigating claims of abuse, ensuring they were dealt with properly.

The county social services committee decided yesterday that Peter Kemp, head of Durham social services, should stand in on a caretaker basis when Dr Hoghughi retired at the end of next month, until the council's review into the centre's future role was complete.

However, councillors emphasised Dr Hoghughi's early retirement decision centred on him needing to spend more time with his seriously ill wife and had nothing to do with controversy over the home.

The report said that staff reviewing incidents when children suffered broken limbs appeared to operate on the assumption that fractures were accidents caused by legitimate force. Neither disciplinary measures nor child protection procedures were immediately considered and, despite new laws setting out the rights of children, staff continued to rely on force.

The inspectors accepted that the centre was not easy to manage but noted that anything perceived as "interference", especially from the social services department, was resisted within Aycliffe.

Absence of effective monitoring meant that "standards of child care have been virtually invisible to the council apart from windows created by investigations as a result of crises", the report said.

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*Tough post: Dr Masud Hoghughi, who is retiring as director after 22 years, outside the Aycliffe centre*

# Harassed women stay silent

By Alexandra Frean
Media Correspondent

ONE in three British women are subjected to sexual harassment at work, but most of them are too embarrassed to talk about it, according to a MORI survey published yesterday.

One in seven of the female workforce said they had been leered at by men and one in eight had been touched. The problem appears to be less common in the North of England and Scotland, affecting 20 per cent of women, while in Wales, the Midlands and the South the figure is 34 per cent. Although 49 per cent of women have discussed the problem, they are more likely to confide in a friend than to inform someone at work. Only 14 per cent of them tell their supervisor.

The survey was commissioned by the BBC to tie in with the five-part BBC1 series *Making Advances*, presented by Emma Freud. Researchers interviewed 686 full and part-time working women aged over 15 between 20 and 24 May. The BBC series, which starts on Monday, offers advice on how to cope with harassment.

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# Man jailed for life after jury 'confusion'

A judge unsuccessfully attempted yesterday to recall the jury in a murder trial in which he had just sentenced the defendant to life imprisonment. There had been concern in the courtroom at their verdict, but when it was found that the jury had already gone home, the sentence stood.

Ann Curnow QC, defending David Bebb, 42, of Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire, said she was worried because she felt the jurors might have misunderstood the question put to them. She said some jurors seemed agitated when the verdict was announced. Bebb admitted at Hove Crown Court the manslaughter of his common law wife, Jean Harnett, 54, but denied murder. Mr Justice Garland told the reassembled court: "In the circumstances it was a pity, but there was ample time for [the jury] to express dissent."

## D-notice list published

The government has published the list of D-notices for the first time. The notices cover six categories of security information which should not be published without seeking advice under a voluntary agreement between the government and media. The system was reviewed after the government sought injunctions to prevent programme broadcasts although they were cleared by the D-notice committee. The number of categories falls from eight to six when they become Defence Advisory Notices on August 1.

## Missiles dropped in sea

A Royal Navy minebunter yesterday found two missiles accidentally dropped by one of its own helicopters in the sea 300 yards off Lee-on-the-Solent, Hampshire. The 8ft weapons, which were not armed, carry a 45lb high explosive warhead and cost more than £175,000 each. They were in metal cages in a net under the helicopter.

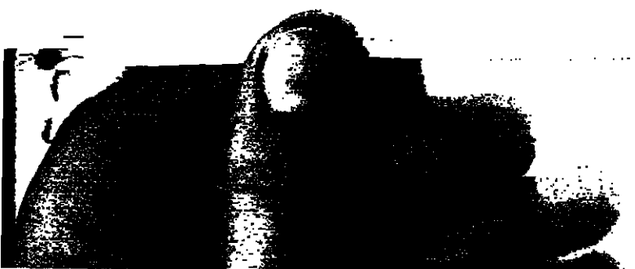
## No reprieve for pit bull

Three law lords have confirmed that a pit bull terrier seized from a car by police should be destroyed because it was unmuzzled in a public place. They refused to grant the owner, Henry Bates, of Clapton, east London, leave to challenge a ruling by Bow magistrates, who had fined him £100 and ordered that the dog be destroyed.

## 25 gassed in 'suicide'

Twenty-five people needed treatment after breathing fumes near the home of a retired naval commander who is believed to have committed suicide. The house at Over Stratton, Somerset, was isolated and a nursery school closed as the body of Ian Cobbold, 60, was recovered. Cdr Cobbold is believed to have inhaled phosgene gas.



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## Army faces more discrimination cases after £8,500 award

# Soldier tells of racist beatings

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

A MIXED-RACE former soldier awarded £8,500 compensation from the army after enduring years of racial abuse, including a beating and kangaroo courts, said yesterday that he would rejoin if given the chance.

As Anthony Evans outlined the taunts and humiliation he suffered during six years' service, the army braced itself for two further discrimination claims.

A trooper who ran away from the army claims that he was racially abused; and a lieutenant colonel, a distinguished army burns surgeon who is also Jewish, aims to prove his career has been blocked by the Royal Army Medical Corps and the Royal College of Surgeons.

Mr Evans, 25, from Cwmtillery, Gwent, told a press conference in London that during his years serving as a private in the 1st Battalion The Royal Regiment of Wales he had been constantly called nigger, coon and black bastard.

He had been subjected to racial harassment, humiliated by his sergeant while on parade and, while based at Stornoway barracks in Lemgo, Germany, had been "tried" twice by his fellow soldiers. "They all wore blankets over their heads, so I could not see who they were. They said I was accused of being black and I was found guilty of being black."

After one "court", he was thrown fully clothed into a bath filled with cleaning agents, which had also been urinated in, and scrubbed with a yard broom. He claimed he had also been beaten with a broom handle.

Other alleged racial harassment included being stopped by a sergeant from going on a sniper course because he was black.

Mr Evans, the grandson of an American GI, who is now unemployed, said that Royston Jones, a platoon sergeant, racially abused him by calling him names. When Mr Evans married a white girl, the sergeant had asked what a white woman was doing marrying him.

The son of a white father and a mixed-race mother, he joined the army in 1985 and served in Northern Ireland, Germany, Hong Kong and Canada. An army board of enquiry found that Mr Evans, who went absent without leave in Hong Kong in 1991, had been subjected to serious racial harassment and abusive language, humiliated by his sergeant on parade and subjected to racist comments.

Mr Evans, who won with the support of the Commission for Racial Equality (CRE), said he did not blame the regiment but the individuals. "I still miss the army life. It is the only life I know. I would go back if I was given a chance," he said.

Sgt Jones was the only soldier to admit racism at the army board of enquiry. A defence ministry spokesman said he had been the subject of a disciplinary interview with his commanding officer.

The CRE said that in 1991-2, 12,044 people entered the armed services, compared with 24,000 in 1990-1. Last year, 72 recruits were black in contrast to 160 the year before, 30 were Asian and 10 were from other ethnic groups, figures which Herman Ouseley, the chairman, said were lamentable. The RAF accepted one officer and the Royal Navy and Marines six.

The army said that it was an equal opportunity employer and was bound by the same laws as others in relation to racism or racial abuse.



Evans: subjected to abuse and kangaroo courts

## THE TIMES WORLD CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

BY RAYMOND KEENE
CHESS CORRESPONDENT

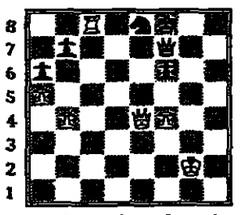
NIGEL Short came close to winning the following game against Kasparov, which was played in their only previous match at London in 1987. Short made the creditable score of two wins against four over the six games of the contest. The trick, from Short's point of view, and one which he will doubtless repeat in the World Chess Championship match, was to play an irregular opening and throw Kasparov off balance psychologically by departing from his opening move. The winning move for Short would have been the violent blow 37 gS. In the final position, Black is still not yet clearly lost but Short forfeited on the clock when his flag fell.

*White:* Garry Kasparov
*Black:* Nigel Short
London Speed Chess Challenge (Game 5) 1987

**Queen's Pawn Opening**

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|---|---|---|
| 1 | Nf3 | d6 |
| 2 | d4 | Bg4 |
| 3 | e4 | Nf6 |
| 4 | Nc3 | e6 |
| 5 | Be2 | Be7 |
| 6 | 0-0 | 0-0 |
| 7 | Be3 | Nbd7 |
| 8 | Nd2 | Bxe2 |
| 9 | Qxe2 | c5 |
| 10 | dxc5 | Nxc5 |
| 11 | Bxc5 | dxc5 |
| 12 | Nc4 | Qc7 |
| 13 | a4 | Rad8 |
| 14 | e5 | Nd5 |
| 15 | Ne4 | Nb6 |
| 16 | Ncd6 | f5 |
| 17 | Nc3 | a6 |
| 18 | a5 | Nd5 |
| 19 | Nc4 | Nf4 |
| 20 | Qf3 | Rd4 |
| 21 | b4 | Ng6 |
| 22 | Rfe1 | Rf4 |
| 23 | Qe3 | Qc6 |
| 24 | f3 | Bg5 |
| 25 | Qe2 | Rd4 |
| 26 | g3 | Rfd8 |
| 27 | Red1 | Be7 |
| 28 | Qg2 | f4 |
| 29 | Qe2 | h5 |
| 30 | Rxd4 | Rxd4 |
| 31 | Ne4 | fxg3 |
| 32 | hxg3 | h4 |
| 33 | c3 | Rd5 |
| 34 | f4 | hxg3 |
| 35 | Qg4 | Nh4 |
| 36 | Nf6+ | Bxf6 |
| 37 | exf6 | Nf5 |
| 38 | Ne5 | Qd6 |
| 39 | Qh5 | Rxe5 |
| 40 | Rxe5 | Qd2 |
| 41 | Qe2 | Qxc3 |
| 42 | Rxe6 | Qa1+ |
| 43 | Kg2 | gxf6 |
| 44 | Qg4+ | Ng7 |
| 45 | Re2 | Qc4 |
| 46 | Kxg3 | Qd3+ |
| 47 | Kg2 | Qb3 |
| 48 | Qf3 | Qf7 |
| 49 | Qe4 | c4 |
| 50 | Rc2 | Kf8 |
| 51 | Rxc4 | Ne8 |
| 52 | Rc8 | Black lost on time |

**Diagram of final position**



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### BCM open day

The British Chess Magazine is holding an open day today at its chess shop at 69 Masbro Road, Kensington, London W14 OLS (tel 071 603 2877). Rare and antiquarian books will be on display.

### Chess at the Tate

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## We are all people, not gene models

John Habgood

The claim to have established a genetic predisposition to homosexuality should raise awareness of moral dilemmas that could confront us in many other areas.

There have been suggestions, for instance, that alcoholism may have a genetic component. Schizophrenia is another candidate. Vulnerability to various kinds of stress and to many diseases would, if demonstrated, pose huge problems about how such genetic information should be used. There are already reports of discrimination in employment against those known to be genetically vulnerable. The particular issues raised by the claim to have identified a homosexual gene, therefore, need to be set in that wider context. The claim reinforces the view that because homosexuality is at least to some extent innate rather than acquired, it is thus "natural" for those who are made that way. It has also stimulated the opposing argument, that if an identifiable cause can be found then it can also be eliminated. Both arguments ignore the complexity of the process by which genetic predispositions find expression.



Most human qualities and characteristics, in so far as they are genetically based, depend on the interaction between many genes. The part played by changes in a single gene may vary from person to person. We are in the realm of statistics, not causation.

The other source of complexity is the largely unknown relationship between what our genetic inheritance makes us and what we make of ourselves. It is at that level that moral and spiritual beliefs enter into the equation. At one extreme lies the danger of genetic fatalism, in which all personal responsibility is subsumed under the heading "I'm made that way". At the other extreme there are dangers in blaming people for dispositions they have not chosen, and may not welcome.

Between those two extremes, sensible well-informed debate is urgently needed. A further complication is the extent to which attitudes towards personal freedom and responsibility might influence the outcome to be expected from a particular genetic inheritance. The knowledge that he carries a so-called homosexual gene may push its bearer towards active homosexuality or enable him to cope with impulses that might not otherwise be understood.

It is essential, therefore, at this early stage to avoid simplistic oppositions. Part of our uniqueness as human beings lies in our ability to adapt to an enormously wide range of environments, including the internal environment of our own bodies. An appropriate Christian contribution must be to emphasise the open-endedness of human personality in its transcendence towards God.

Our own potential can only be fulfilled in our ultimate relationship with God. Until then, we are called upon to exercise responsible freedom. We are people, not programmed genetic mechanisms.

*Dr John Habgood is the Archbishop of York*

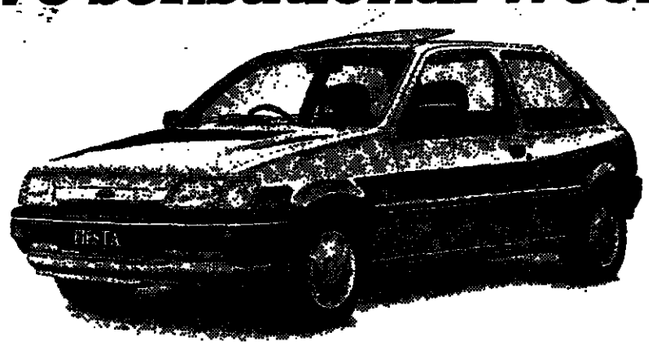
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# Tycoon's suicide adds to disquiet over Italian scandal

FROM JOHN PHILLIPS IN ROME

**■ Another public figure has killed himself after being implicated in the corruption investigation. Now there are calls for reforms of the way cases are handled**

RAUL Gardini, one of Italy's best-known entrepreneurs and most popular merchant princes, who sponsored the yacht *Il Moro di Venezia* in the America's Cup, shot himself dead yesterday, leaving the country puzzled anew over why so many public figures are killing themselves.

Signor Gardini, 60, was regularly photographed at the helm of some of the world's sleekest yachts. Sun-tanned and silver-haired, with a ready smile and carefree demeanour, he *epitomised* the excellence and panache of the leaders of Italian industry.

A former chairman of the troubled Ferruzzi agricultural and chemical group, he had been under investigation since February over the Milan corruption scandal. He shot himself in the head with a Walther PPK 7.65 pistol at his flat near La Scala in Milan.

On Thursday the magazine *Il Mondo* published a leaked transcript of evidence to magistrates from Giuseppe Garofano, another former Ferruzzi group executive, who was extradited from Switzerland last week. Signor Garofano was reported to have said that Signor Gardini had asked him to set up a slush fund to make illegal payments to government parties. His evidence had been expected to lead to Signor Gardini's arrest.

Yesterday's drama coincided with the funeral in the parish church of San Babila of Gabriele Cagliari, a former chairman of the ENI energy group, who committed suicide on Tuesday by placing a plastic bag over his head in his cell in San Vittore prison.

Signor Gardini, who was to have attended the funeral, was the tenth suspect in the 17-month scandal to kill himself, and deputies from all sides of the political spectrum are urging the government to make a statement to parliament.

While Cagliari's funeral was in progress, prisoners banged on their cell bars and chanted slogans for 45 minutes. Banners hanging from windows read: "Gabriele, you're one of ours ... Gabriele, for us you live on ... enough of trumped-up proof."

The San Vittore prisoners also targeted Judge Antonio Di Pietro, the leading figure in the "clean hands" corruption enquiry, chanting "Di Pietro, f*** off." The enquiry has uncovered corrupt links between politicians and businessmen and seen some 2,000 senior officials detained. Inmates of the grim jail, which was constructed in 1879 to house 800 but now holds more than twice that number, have increased their protests over their conditions since Signor Cagliari died.

Experts are bewildered by the spate of suicides. "I would not have expected so many Italian top people to commit suicide," Professor Franco Ferrarotti, a leading Italian sociologist, said.

"It is quite alien to the Mediterranean, Catholic tradition. It is very unusual for Italy and proves that we are *becoming more modern*. Something really is changing in the Italian temperament ...

"Then there are specific reasons for each person. It is conceivable that a man endowed with such a super ego as Signor Gardini would rather blow out his brains than go to jail even for an hour."



*Before the fall: Raul Gardini, the Italian industrialist who committed suicide yesterday, with his daughter Eleonora at La Scala opera house, Milan, in 1991*

There were 4,800 recorded suicides in Italy in 1991, compared with 3,134 in 1984 and 2,321 in 1974. Few regional figures are available, but a 1985 study by Milan University found the industrial city had a suicide rate of 14.2 for every 100,000 inhabitants, compared with 5.8 nationally. Milan was more on a par with the rates in such northern countries as Norway (11.4 per 100,000) and Belgium (16.6).

The suicides are seen by many as a grim metaphor for the collapse of Italy's scandal-tainted political system. "The end of other regimes, like Weimar and the Third Reich in Germany, have also been *accompanied by suicides*," said Luciano Violante, who is president of the parliamentary anti-Mafia commission.

"The common factor here and elsewhere has been the collapse of the conditions in which the victims lived and worked," he told reporters.

There are growing calls in Italy for reform of preventive detention. Cagliari was held for 134 days at San Vittore. For more than a month of that time, according to Giovanni Conso, the justice minister, he was not interrogated and was effectively forgotten. Judge Di Pietro said yesterday that before he went on holiday he would review the cases of all 24 suspects being held in San Vittore in connection with the scandal.

President Scalfaro yesterday repeated a call for a review of preventive detention, the use of judicial letters warning suspects that they are under investigation, and the need for quicker trials. "Otherwise we will show ourselves to *be insensitive to everything*, to be inhuman," he said. A bill reforming preventive detention is making its way through parliament.

The handsome, chain-smoking Signor Gardini was renowned for his zest for hunting as well as yachting. He was nicknamed *Il Contadino* (the peasant) because of his roots as a farmer. He joined the Ferruzzi agricultural group when it was run by Serafino Ferruzzi, the family patriarch, and became his favourite after marrying his daughter Idina in 1957. Signor Gardini took over the running of the business in 1980 when his father-in-law died in an air crash.

In 1986 Signor Gardini's renown grew when he took over the Montedison chemical group. Ferruzzi become Europe's biggest grain producer and Italy's second largest private-sector industrial concern.

*In 1989 Montedison and* ENI formed a joint venture called Enimont designed to control the chemical sector. But Signor Gardini sold his stake after a year because of differences between shareholders. The ill-starred venture led to him being pushed out of Ferruzzi in a family feud and he set up his own group, Gardini Srl, with interests in food and mineral water.

His suicide seems to be "in common, tragically, with the complex of suicides coming with the breakdown of the system", said Senator Violante. "He was a symbol of Italy."

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# Balladur comes out fighting to defend franc from predators

*The answer to French prayers would be the Bundesbank indicating a drop in rates. However, devaluation seems inevitable, **Charles Bremner** reports*



Séguin: Maastricht an "historical absurdity"

In the face of a fresh onslaught on the franc, the French government talked tough yesterday, raising one interest rate and vowing no surrender but also praying privately that the Germans would shed a few scruples rather than take the blame for killing the European exchange-rate mechanism.

"There will be no devaluation," Edouard Balladur, the prime minister, said in Morocco after the French and German authorities jointly promised a continuing defence and Paris raised its overnight lending rate to 10 per cent from 7.75 to make it more expensive to borrow the francs needed to bet on a devaluation.

Edmond Alphandéry, the economy minister, said the speculative fever "will be throttled without touching the interest rates vital for our economy". Those betting on French weakness would learn the hard way, he added.

In private, however, some officials acknowledged that it would take more to make the markets abandon their assumption that the franc is doomed to devalue, probably bringing the ERM down with it. The answer to French prayers would be an indication from the Bundesbank that it might allow its rates to slip a little.

As they have done all week, most newspapers relegated the issue to the business pages, and television and radio made only brief references. The calm and self-assured M Balladur continues to enjoy strong *public support* despite an expected rise in unemployment from 3.5 million to four million next year.

While experts disagreed whether a devaluation would have much effect on public opinion, the stakes are high for M Balladur and also for the future of the strained Franco-German alliance. The *franc fort* has been at the heart of French policy since 1983 after two years in which the Mitterrand administration was forced into successive devaluations while trying to spend its way to growth.

President Mitterrand reaffirmed his commitment to the franc as an overriding priority this week after meeting Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor. Although he hails from the opposing political camp, M Balladur has also staked his name on maintaining the iron franc-mark link, a policy identified with Pierre Bérégovoy, his late Socialist predecessor.

Last week, M Balladur made clear he would resign rather than yield, saying France "would have to change prime minister" if it followed any other course. However, some senior business leaders and a growing body among M Balladur's fellow Gaullists and centrist allies are challenging the dogma of monetary marriage with Germany, saying that it is bleeding the country white.

The dissidents say the sky will not fall on France in the event of divorce with Germany, and are advocating what Philippe Séguin, the parliamentary Speaker and leading maverick, calls "*la politique autrement*". This consists of freeing the franc and dropping interest rates in the British manner, ignoring the monetary strictures of the Maastricht agreement, and moving to protect industry.

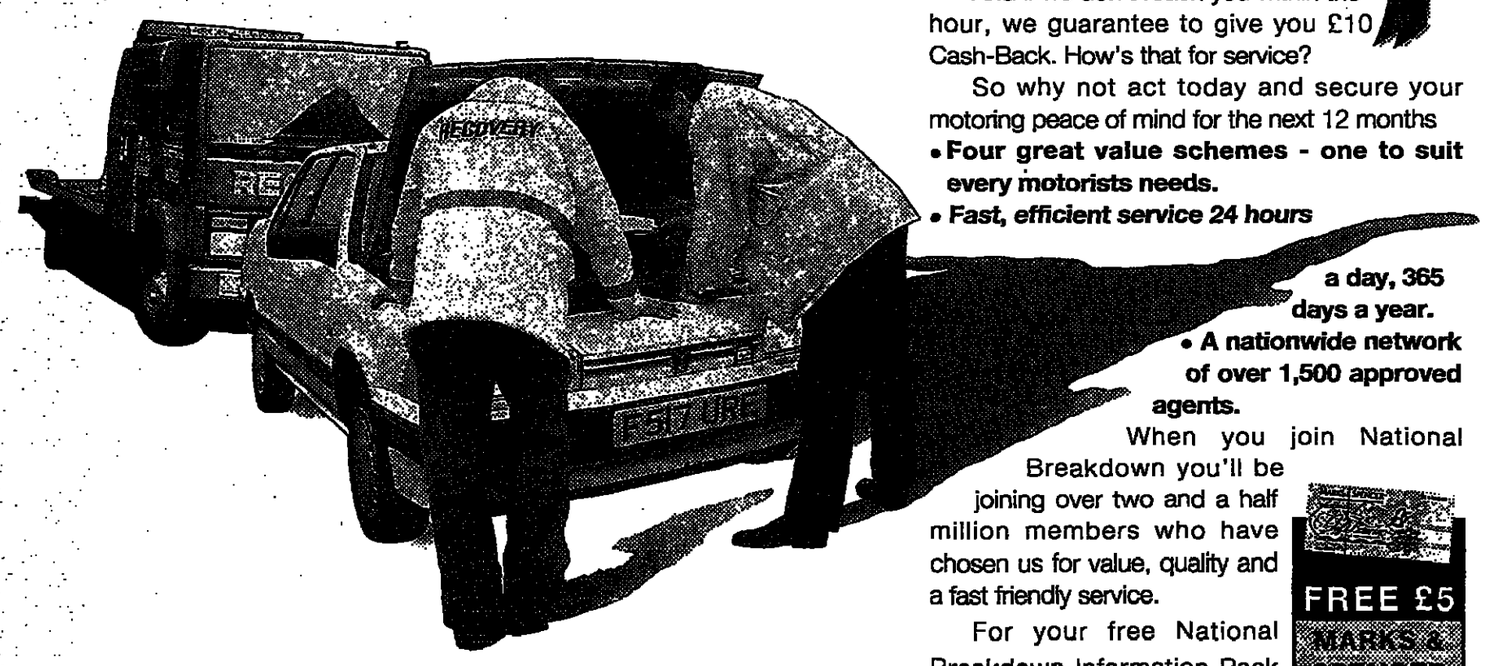
Sounding like a British Tory rebel, M Séguin calls the Maastricht concept of monetary union an "historical and economic absurdity". M Balladur cannot ignore such thinking, given that a majority of Gaullist supporters voted against the treaty in last year's referendum and more than 130 of the 480 conservative MPs elected in March are anti-Maastricht.

The first tremors of possible political earthquake were felt this week when Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader, criticised M Balladur for failing to break enough with the policies of the Socialists.

This was interpreted as M Chirac's nervousness that his protégé could eclipse him as conservative candidate in the 1995 presidential election and that he was unhappy with the continuing devotion to *le franc fort*.

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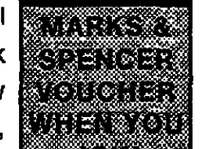
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# Geneva talks totter as Karadzic plays for time

FROM TIM JUDAH
IN BELGRADE

**The Bosnian Serb leader, clearly fearing that the Muslims might sue for peace rather than opt for war without end, is banking on grabbing more territory**

THE Geneva talks on Bosnia-Herzegovina tottered on the verge of collapse last night. Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb, wrote yesterday to Lord Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, the co-chairmen of the negotiations, saying that talks scheduled for tomorrow could be "premature and counter-productive", and suggested that they be postponed until mid-autumn.

John Mills, spokesman for the co-chairmen, confirmed last night that they had received the letter but said they replied immediately, saying they still expected Dr Karadzic in Geneva tomorrow provided President Izetbegovic of Bosnia also turned up.

If Dr Karadzic fails to appear and begins a boycott of the negotiations, then a continuation of the war is guaranteed. Officials in Sarajevo say that if the Bosnian side agrees to his demands, it is inevitable the conflict will go on.

Dr Karadzic wrote: "I question whether a Geneva meeting at this juncture could be called negotiations without misusing the word. Mr Izetbegovic has no intention of reaching a settlement acceptable to Serbs and Croats."

Since the collapse of the Vance-Owen plan to turn Bosnia into a state of ten provinces, the Serbs and Croats have been working on a joint proposal to turn the republic into a confederation of three ethnic mini-states. This would mean de facto the creation of a greater Serbia and a greater Croatia, both of which are resisted by President Izetbegovic.

Diplomatic sources said they believed that Dr Karadzic had suddenly got cold feet because he feared that, under immense international pressure, Mr Izetbegovic might accept partition rather than wage, in his own words, "a war without end". The diplomat said: "What seemed like a good idea four weeks ago does not look so great now." He said that the Serbs had not expected Mr Izetbegovic to sign up to the plan and so Dr Karadzic had calculated on being able to conquer more territory over the summer.

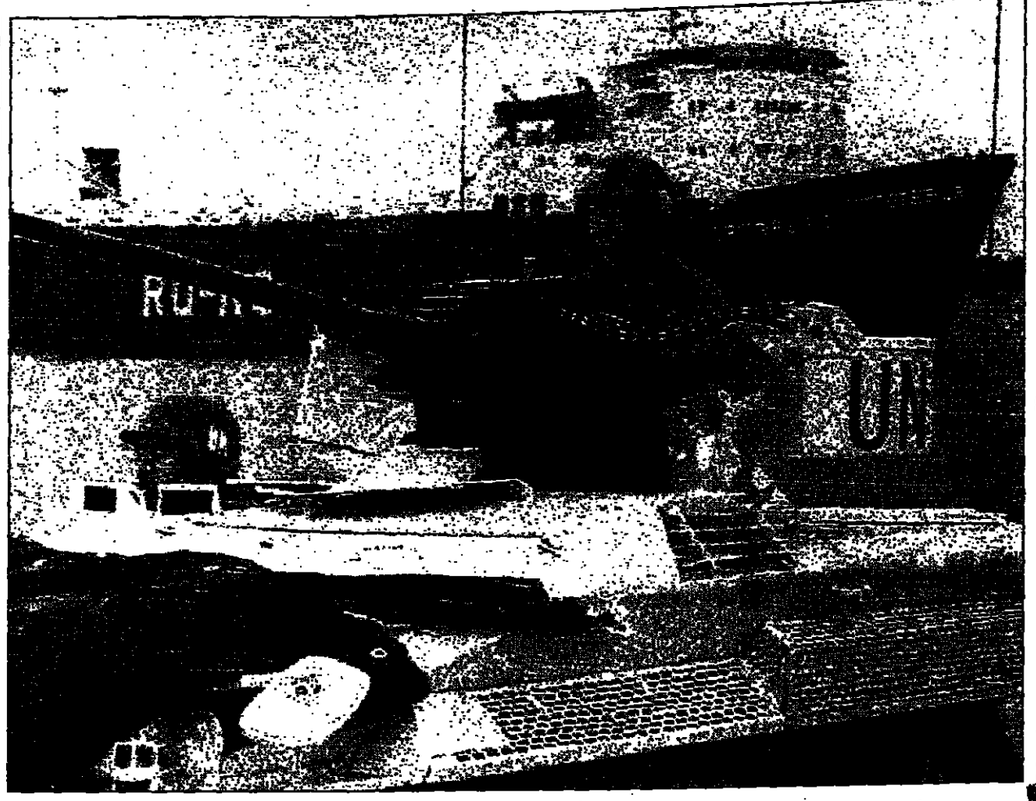
Dr Karadzic had earlier issued a warning that if the Bosnian Muslims did not sign up to the Serbo-Croat "confederation" plan then they would be left with nothing, and the Serbs and Croats would divide Bosnia between them. Officials in Pale, the Bosnian Serb headquarters, said on Monday they thought that the time had already passed for a deal on "confederation".

In the past few days Serb forces have begun an offensive to capture Mount Igman which guards the gates to Sarajevo. If and when it falls, the Bosnian capital will be hermetically sealed. The calculation is that the Bosnian government would then have to surrender. In an apparent attempt to win time to consolidate more conquests, Dr Karadzic suggested that a "well-prepared summit in mid-autumn, after all sides had made up their minds, might yet surprise the world by its depth of achievement".

Mr Izetbegovic had told Willy Claes, the European Community envoy, that he would go to Geneva if the Serbs called off their offensive. On Thursday they subjected Sarajevo to its most brutal bombardment in weeks, killing at least seven people. The talks, scheduled to begin yesterday in Switzerland, were then postponed until tomorrow. President Milosevic of Serbia snubbed Mr Claes yesterday and refused to meet him.

In Kosovo, three Serbian policemen were wounded in an armed attack on a police station in the province, where Serbs are outnumbered nine to one by ethnic Albanians.

In Brussels, it was announced last night that the UN has asked Nato to delay plans to send allied strike aircraft intended to protect UN forces into the skies over Bosnia.




Harbour masters: German United Nations soldiers in an armoured Wiesel vehicle guarding the *Beerberg*, the ship which carried vehicles and supplies for the 200 German troops who landed in Mogadishu, the Somali capital, this week. The force represents the formal start of Germany's UN mission to Somalia, which has grown increasingly controversial, with the opposition Social Democrats accusing Helmut Kohl's government of obscuring its true nature as a dangerous combat operation. The criticism has been fed by recent attacks, including a sniper attack on a UN convoy in Mogadishu in which two Zimbabwean soldiers were wounded. *(Reuter)*



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## Kuwait to press Iraq for release of hostages

BY MICHAEL BINYON
DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

LAUNCHING a worldwide campaign for the release of Kuwaitis held hostage in Iraq, a former foreign minister of Kuwait said yesterday that his country was ready for face-to-face talks with the Baghdad government in Geneva next week, but would never agree to swap Iraqi prisoners in the emirate to obtain their release.

Shaikh Salem al-Sabah said in London that an exchange was out of the question. The 627 Kuwaitis missing and presumed captive in Iraq were hostages, while the Iraqis in Kuwaiti prisons had been tried and convicted for war crimes. His country would try to get its citizens home by every means, "but not at the cost of our principles and beliefs".

Kuwait will raise the issue at a meeting organised by the International Committee of the Red Cross next Tuesday, to which Iraq has been invited. Shaikh Salem said his country was ready to negotiate directly for their release. He said all previous attempts to contact them or find out their situation through the Red Cross and other international bodies had been rebuffed by Baghdad.

The Kuwaitis, men, women and youths picked up at random during the Iraqi occupation, have been held in Iraq since the end of the war, despite UN resolutions for their release. Shaikh Salem said that Kuwait would oppose any dropping of sanctions against Iraq until the prisoners were freed.

He called for a concerted campaign by the West on behalf of the prisoners.

## Hawks call on Rabin to hit back at Hezbollah

FROM RICHARD BEESTON
IN JERUSALEM

YITZHAK Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, came under renewed pressure yesterday to take military action against guerrillas in southern Lebanon, after he advocated restraint in the face of fresh attacks.

In the latest actions, Shia Muslim Hezbollah fighters fired several Katyusha rockets into northern Galilee early yesterday. No one was hurt, but many residents in the border towns of Metulla and Kiryat Shmona spent the night in shelters.

The rocket salvo came after a day of fierce fighting in Israel's self-declared "security zone" in southern Lebanon, when the Iranian-backed Hezbollah forces fired 90 mortar bombs and rockets at Israeli troops and their South Lebanese Army allies, who responded by blasting the area with 500 artillery rounds. However, the Israeli government's failure to take more direct action against suspected Hezbollah strongholds in villages east of the southern Lebanese port city of Tyre provoked an angry public backlash.

On Israel radio, Ariel Sharon, the right-wing opposition Likud party parliamentarian, said that unless the army took decisive action now, it might later be forced to invade Lebanon in even larger numbers. As defence minister, he planned the ill-fated 1982 invasion of Lebanon.

Israeli newspapers reported yesterday that a growing number of officers in the Israeli Defence Force were disgruntled with Mr Rabin's decision to show restraint in the face of provocation.

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# Lost hours and old gun puzzle Clinton aide's death enquiry



Foster: adored his wife and three grown-up children

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

**■ The US justice department believes Vincent Foster killed himself. But murder is not ruled out as long as key questions remain unanswered**

AS PRESIDENT Clinton returned to Arkansas yesterday for the funeral of Vincent Foster, his childhood friend and White House legal aide, authorities in Washington sought to establish beyond all doubt that Mr Foster was not murdered and was not driven to kill himself by blackmail.

No evidence has surfaced to suggest Mr Foster's apparent suicide was prompted by anything *more than the intense* pressures of White House life. But a Justice Department spokesman said every conceivable avenue had to be explored when a high-ranking government official in a very sensitive position died in such strange circumstances.

"If it was suicide, the Justice Department wants to find out why he killed himself," the spokesman said. "The department is also looking carefully at the slim possibility that he was murdered."

There had been occasional wild rumours about Mr Foster, as there are about countless government officials, but none that any American newspaper had printed or was about to print. One concerned his past relationship with Hillary Clinton, his former law partner in Little Rock. Another, contradicting the first, was that he was homosexual. By all accounts, however, Mr Foster adored his wife and three college-age children.

Investigators have scoured Mr Foster's second-floor West Wing office, checking his papers, his computer files and his telephone logs. They have interviewed his colleagues, but have found no suicide note nor any other clue. They were planning to interview Mr Foster's family after yesterday's funeral. The White House, anxious to spare his family further grief, has been at pains to avert any speculation about Mr Foster's motives. "I don't think anything is going to come out of it (the investigation) other than what you already know," Mr Clinton told reporters before leaving Washington yesterday.

Questions remained, however. Mr Foster was undoubtedly oppressed by the long hours and tangential criticism of his work, but was that an adequate reason for a gifted and apparently well-balanced man at the pinnacle of his career to kill himself?

What happened in the five hours between his 1.00 pm departure from the White House on Tuesday *and the discovery of his body in a* park with a slightly dubious reputation? Who reported finding the body (whoever it was had disappeared by the time police arrived)? Where did Mr Foster get the gun — a 1913 Colt .38, too old to trace?

Mr Clinton yesterday described Mr Foster as a "great friend, a great father, a great husband and a great lawyer", and was due to deliver an eulogy to him at the funeral.

In Washington, *meanwhile*, another of Mr Clinton's Arkansas friends, Joycelyn Elders, faced tough Senate hearings on her nomination to be Surgeon General. Dr Elders, who is black and the former health chief of Arkansas, is *a strong supporter of abortion* rights, teenage sex education and free condom distribution at schools, and has become a prime target for conservatives.

The hearings had been delayed a week following allegations of mis*management at a bank on whose* board Dr Elders sat, and the disclosure that since her nomination she has continued to receive her Arkansas salary while earning $550-a-day (£360)government consulting fees. Her husband had also failed to pay social security taxes for a nurse looking after his 97-year-old mother, and on Thursday it was disclosed that she had permitted the distribution of condoms even though a small percentage were known to be defective.

The hearings were again delayed by Republican manoeuvres yesterday, but in a defiant opening statement Dr Elders portrayed herself as a "voice for the poor and powerless" and a champion of *prevention over cure. She forcefully* contested the allegations against her, and in spite of the controversy Mr Clinton has stood firmly behind her. Following the Lani Guinier debacle, he could not possibly jettison another black *woman nominee.*

☐ **Flag wavering:** Carol Moseley-Braun, a recently elected black member from Illinois, swung a Senate vote with a speech that denounced as racist a motion to renew a patent for an emblem featuring the Confederate flag (Wolfgang Münchau writes).

She argued that the flag had "no place in our society" and amounted to the "indignity of being reminded that at one point in this country's *history we were human chattel. We* were property. We could be traded, bought and sold."

One senator after another changed his view, expressing regret or emotionally recalling slave-owning family histories. The *motion, expected to be carried by a* large majority, was defeated 75-25.

## Retreating Mississippi floods bequeath farmers rich mud amid the devastation

# Huck Finn's river god giveth as it taketh away

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN HANNIBAL, MISSOURI

MARK Twain poked fun at everyone and everything, except the Mississippi river.

Samuel Langborne Clemens was born and raised by the river; as a child he played in and around it; as a young man, he piloted steamboats through its waters. He took his pen name from it and, as a celebrated author, he often returned to it. The river runs through almost all his writing, an object of awe, to be venerated and obeyed.

Twain loved the "majestic, the magnificent Mississippi, rolling its mile-wide tide along, shining in the sun", and he distrusted it. The sea has moods, but rivers have personalities. That of the Mississippi is almost schizophrenic one day it is a benign source of income, transport, food and entertainment; the next, as many of those living alongside it have rediscovered in recent weeks, it is a raging brute, laying muddy waste to everything in its path.

The Indians called the Mississippi "Misi-zibi", the "*Father of the Waters*", and Twain himself treated the river as a sort of unpredictable god. "One might as well bully the comets in their courses and undertake to make them behave, as try to bully the Mississippi into right and reasonable conduct," he wrote in his *Life on the Mississippi* (1882). "You cannot bar its path with an obstruction which it will not tear down, dance over and laugh at."

From Cardiff Hill, above the river town of Hannibal to which the Clemens family moved in 1839 when Sam was four, you can see the brown waters lapping at the tops of the leaking levees hastily reinforced to protect this one-industry town from the wrath of the river.

Twain described Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn playing pirates on this hill, but he would probably not have recognised the *Hannibal* below, with its Mark Twain Museum, Hotel Clemens, gift *shoppes* and Tom Sawyer model train tour. But he would certainly have caught the ornery temper of the Mississippi.

Hannibal, Missouri, will probably weather the flood. But other, less famous towns, have been less fortunate; some have been all but obliterated by the *rising river* which has so far swamped 16 million acres of farmland, damaged 25,000 houses and killed at least 31 people.

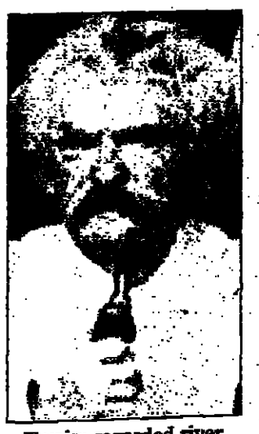
Twain (who took his *nom de plume* from the colloquial river depth-reading for two fathoms) saw the cruelty of the Mississippi as an essential part of its magic, and had scant sympathy for the "yellow-faced miserables" driven out of their homes and onto makeshift rafts by the rising water.

Those who live on the banks of the Mississippi have always existed under a sort of pact with providence, since the land is particularly fertile precisely because of the periodic flooding which deposits nutrient-rich mud from the north. Twain was convinced that efforts to divert or contain the river were tempting *fate and doomed to failure.*

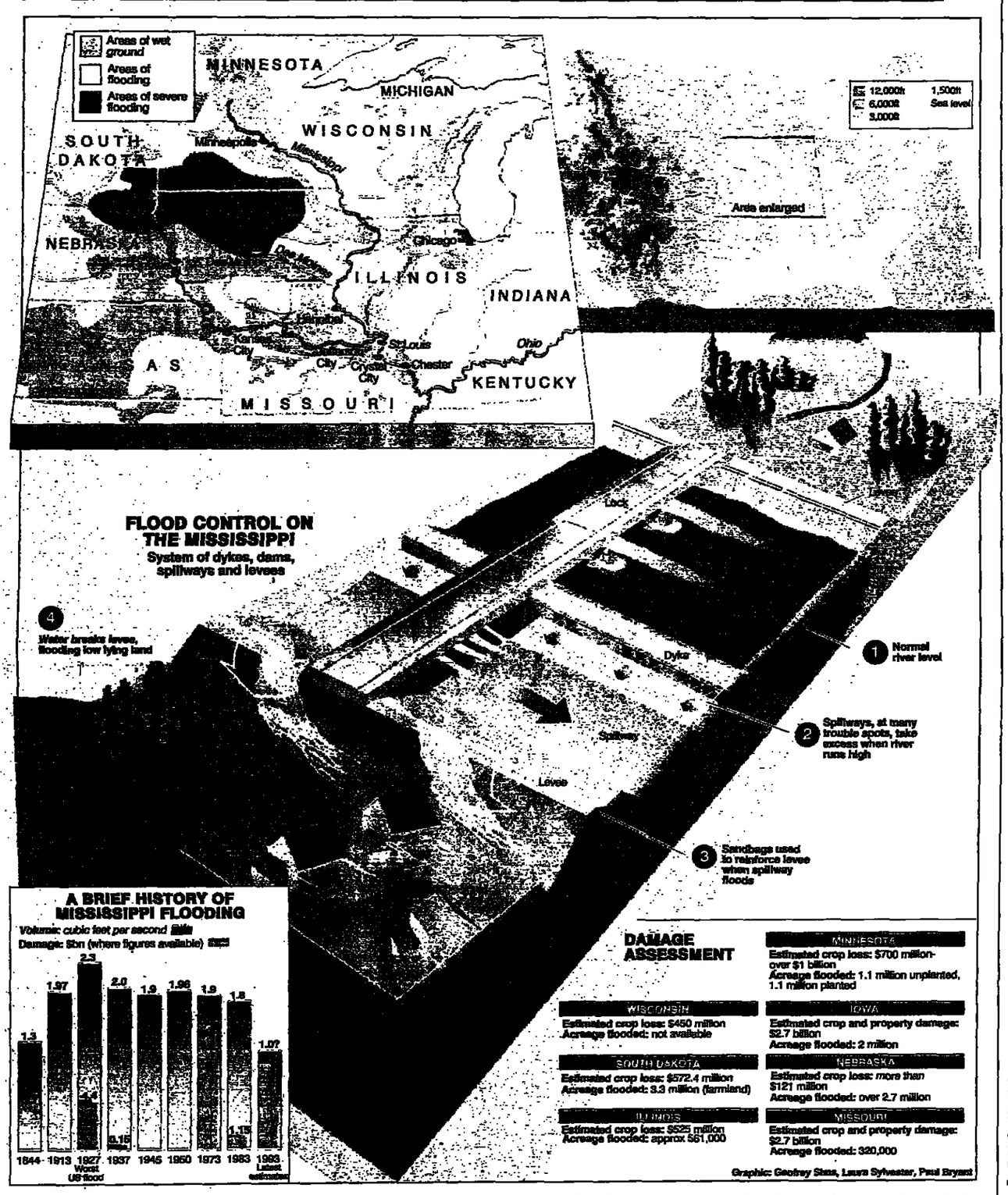
"West Point engineers," he wrote, "since they conceive that they can fetter and handcuff that river and boss him, it is but wisdom for the unscientific man to keep still, lie low and wait till they do it."

He may have been right. Despite the billions of dollars that have been spent over the past century building 3,000 miles of levees, dams and dykes around the Mississippi, the per capita flood damage has actually increased every year.

*Living in close proximity to* the river breeds a peculiar kind of philosophical fortitude, a *mixture* of pride, resignation and cussedness, of which Twain was a prime example. A sign in the window of the post office in the French colonial town of Ste Genevieve captures that spirit: "This establishment will remain open if God and the river so wills it."



Twain: regarded river with awe and respect




Geneviève but this is much, much worse." There is a deep respect in her voice, and an unmistakable pride in the rich home-grown wickedness of the river.

Founded 60 miles south of St Louis in 1735 by French fur trappers, Ste Genevieve was the first permanent settle*ment on the west bank of the* Mississippi. The first *année des grandes eaux* was 1875; 1993 is merely the latest.

Mary Jo, the barmaid at the wrought-iron fronted Ste Genevieve Hotel, said: "We wuz about ready for another. I remember the flood in '83, buildings and eerily deserted. In the shallows, rotting "crop slicks" have formed from the uprooted corn cobs and other swamped vegetation.

When the waters recede, the Mississippi will have quite changed the land; entire communities, such as Kaskaskia Island south of Ste Genevieve (itself created by the flood of 1881) have been washed away, probably forever. But for the most part the barns and houses will be repaired or rebuilt, and the crops will grow back stronger in the enriched soil. Twain celebrated the Mississippi for its very contrariness, for the trials and vicissitudes the mighty river brought to its *banks and its people, for its* unexpected dangers and its strength.

To him and to many latterday Mississippi river folk, the rise and fall of the water is part of an endless and unstoppable cycle of destruction, change and renewal for, as Twain wrote in *Roughing It* (1872): "Change is the handmaiden Nature requires to do her miracles with."

☐ **Washington:** Nearly one in five Americans believe the Mississippi flooding is God's *revenge against sinners.* A Cable News Network/*USA Today*/Gallup poll asked 1,011 respondents whether "the recent floods in the Midwest are an indication of God's judgment on the people of the United States for their sinful ways". Some 18 per cent agreed, 78 per cent disagreed, and 4 per cent had no opinion. *(Reuter)*

NEWS IN BRIEF

## LDP sees coalition overture rebuffed

**Tokyo:** The prospect of Japan's Liberal Democratic Party being forced into opposition for the first time since its formation in 1955 came a little closer yesterday as internal factional battles worsened and the leader of a small, conservative party believed to hold the key to a coalition government, said he would not align his party with the LDP (Joanna Pitman writes).

The ruling party had hinted at a possible alliance with the Japan New Party, a reform-minded conservative group, founded a year ago, that has much in common with the LDP. But Masahiro Hosokawa, its leader, ruled this out.

Hiroshi Mitsuzuka, leader of the LDP's biggest faction, and Michio Watanabe, a former foreign minister who heads the third largest faction, indicated that they would not stand for the party leadership *on July 30. Kiichi Miyazawa,* the prime minister, announced his resignation as leader of the LDP on Thursday.

## Press gagged

**Lagos:** Nigeria's military government closed four newspaper groups and a state radio station in the biggest press clampdown since independence. Among affected publications are several owned by Chief Moshood Abiola, undeclared winner of the annulled June election. *(Reuter)*

## Stingers sought

***Washington:*** *The CIA has* asked Congress secretly for $55 million (£36 million) to buy back from Afghan rebels hundreds of American anti-aircraft Stinger missiles coveted by terrorist organisations. The missiles were provided during the 1980s.

## Rebels routed

**Esteli:** The Nicaraguan army recaptured this northern city *after fierce fighting with anti-*government rebels. At least 45 people were killed and 98 wounded in one of the worst outbreaks of fighting in Nicaragua since the civil war ended in 1990. *(AP)*

## Town taken

**Moscow:** Azerbaijan suffered a humiliating military blow with the loss of the strategic town of Agdam. The defence ministry admitted it had fallen to Armenian forces. Fizuli, another key centre, is also under attack. *(Reuter)*

## Operatic lead

**Aix-en-Provence:** Hugues Gall, director-general of the Grand theatre in Geneva, will replace Pierre Bergé as head of the Paris Opera in 1995, Jacques Toubon, the French culture minister, said. *(AFP)*


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As the strength of rebels in the Commons increases, Parliament may at last begin to act as a restraint upon the executive

# Order, order! Time to bring the Commons up to date

## Simon Jenkins

The hurricane seemed to blow up from nowhere. It hit the country with a terrific bang, tearing off *roofs, uprooting trees and causing* animals and MPs to whimper with fear and excitement. Suddenly it is gone. There is an eerie silence. What can it mean?

The answer is nothing. John Major was always going to win, either on Thursday or on Friday or in the autumn. These "great parliamentary occasions" are publicised with much media hyperventilation. But the past week has shown a Commons confused, anachronistic and glorying in 19th-century ritual. Outside, ordinary Britons were using cellular phones, driving the M25, watching *Jurassic Park*, yawning at the mention of Maastricht. Inside, men and women were screaming and yelling. They were dragging sick men from *hospital beds as if telephones did* not exist. Any other employer would have been sued for negligence. It was a wonder they did not all turn up dressed in pantaloons.

What was the real matter on which the Commons "tied" on Thursday night but did not tie on Friday afternoon? It was not the *Maastricht treaty: an overwhelm*ing majority of MPs had already approved it. Nor was it the social chapter. A majority wanted it rejected. It was not Mr Major's position as prime minister, which Friday's motion predictably confirmed. The Commons tied, or almost tied, on a procedural nonsense. The place should be taken by the scruff of its neck and torn apart, as it constantly says other professions should be. Nowhere more urgently needs "performance indicators".

I dislike the Maastricht treaty, but ever since the government won the paving debate in November it *was bound to be ratified. Both* Houses clearly wanted it and had no intention of allowing a referendum. Ratification was by then a confidence matter for the prime minister. It was inconceivable that he could permit his majority to be shot from under him on this treaty. If he had to make this an explicit issue of confidence, he would do so. Somehow he would win.

From then on, Maastricht-in-Parliament was about tactics, procedure, malice, glory and shame. When at Thursday night's crisis cabinet, the chief whip, Richard Ryder, ruminated on the Charge of the Light Brigade, the parallel was apt. Engagements might be bloody and conditions at Scutari varying from bad to mutinous. But the British were going to win the war and there was an end to it.

Westminster's hindsight tacticians are having a field day. But I cannot see how Mr Major could have managed the matter other than as he has this past six months. Perhaps he could have forced the confidence issue sooner, but *it was hard to predict that such a* disparate bunch of rebels would take him the whole way — actually voting with Labour for the social chapter. When Mr Major lost his motion on Thursday night, he was firm. He had no truck with sceptics who wanted to postpone the stalemate.

This was not a great issue of principle: an anti-Europe Commons defying a pro-Europe executive. There was no grand coalition against the policy. There was an opportunistic coalition of die-hard rebels and the official Opposition. Mr Major was perfectly within his rights to demand an instant vote of confidence from the rebels. Last year, they fought an election on an explicit pro-Maastricht manifesto. Had this been a matter of deep personal conviction, they could have stood as anti-Maastricht independents. None did.

Heaven knows Mr Major's authority has taken a battering this past year. He has problems aplenty ahead, beginning with next Thursday's Christchurch by-election. His legislative achievements are unimpressive — scrappy bills on council tax, education and training, leasehold reform, railway privatisation — but the stature of a prime minister is enhanced by victory in battle. Mr Major acted boldly yesterday and won. As for the talk of "humiliation" and "intense bitterness" and "deep divisions", MPs will get over it. Like excitable *children, they always calm down* after a long holiday on the beach.

Observers must distinguish the ripples on the surface of politics from the currents beneath. What happened at Westminster last week was essentially ripple. The House of Commons is supposedly the place where a prime minister's survival is determined. This is constitutionally true. Governments are composed of Commons majorities, but these majorities no longer change as they did in the last century on the floor of the chamber. There has been no mid-term shift in majority since the war. Change *takes place only at general elec*tions. There was never going to be an election this summer.

What has changed is that governments with small majorities must live with *ad hoc* rebellion — and not get too paranoid about it. The parliamentary historian Philip Norton points out that the Com*mons is now a more unpredictable* legislative forum than ever this century. Not once between 1945 and 1970 did a government lose a vote because of defiance of the whips. After 1970, Edward Heath was defeated six times in the division lobbies, three times on a three-line whip. The proportion of divisions with some rebellion soared from negligible to more than 20 per cent in the 1970s, and has remained there ever since, under Labour and Tory governments.

Norton's explanation is that modern leadership has become more intolerant and uncompromising. I disagree. *Leaders of* widely differing styles have met the same indiscipline. What has changed is the nature of the parliamentary career. The Commons is now a college in which apprentices vie for access to the freemasonry of ministerial office. Few MPs seek election without wishing to be ministers. Failure is thus more wounding to self-esteem — and damaging to loyalty. A disappointed government backbencher does not go off and farm or work in public relations. He becomes a rebel. A Tory rebel is no longer a political *gangster.* He is a man of independence and media status.

Mr Major's party position is not under threat. His MPs are worried about the polls, worried by by-election defeats, worried by rebellion. But most would genuinely like him to succeed. When Margaret Thatcher faced similar trouble in 1981, half of her cabinet *wanted her* to fail. Had they been able to cohere around an alternative leader, they might have toppled her. Mr Major *is not about to be toppled.*

But rebels will not go away. They are enemies of substance. On any contentious policy, the government may find *dissidents entering* the opposing lobby and forcing Mr Major to a confidence vote. There is a limit to the number of rebels from *whom he can withdraw the whip* and keep his majority.

I sense that this will mean a real change in the conduct of Parliament, a fault line not just between parties but between those in office and those out of it, the latter enjoying an unprecedented licence to dissent. It is even conceivable that the Commons might begin to behave as the textbooks say it should, as a responsible constraint on the executive and on ill-considered *legislation.* But for that to happen it will need to enter the 20th century. Last week it looked like a Granville-Barker play, a bad-tempered Victorian club arguing over who had fiddled the raffle.

## Janet Daley



**■ Cosy relations with local councils help supermarkets to exclude rivals — at the expense of the poor**

We have heard some shocking assertions about British poverty this week: that more than 60 per cent of Britons are paid less than the nat*ional average wage, and* that we have the highest proportion of employees with earnings below the Council of Europe's decency threshold. Even allowing for fanciful statistics, it is safe to assume that Britain has an enormous number of *low-paid workers, as well as* a high number of unemployed people living on meagre benefits.

So is it not outrageous that British food should be sold at some of the highest profit margins in Europe — or, indeed, in the developed world? Few things exacerbate poverty more painfully than expensive food. The Opposition works itself into a *lather over the imposition* of VAT on fuel, hurling opprobrium at a government which increases the price of one of life's basic necessities, and yet it is silent about the supermarkets which levy what amounts to a kind *of private taxation to rein*force their own interests.

What do I mean by private taxation? Let me explain. Costco is a chain of cut-price American stores which sell food and other domestic essentials in bulk on a cash-and-carry basis. *They sell everything from* lavatory paper to fresh meat at very low prices, but only in the kind of volume that can realistically be purchased for either commercial use or — as is done widely in the United States — by groups of neighbours pooling their purchasing to save money. (Such arrangements in this country seem to be confined to wholefood cooperatives.) Costco is now coming to Britain. Or, at least, it is trying to. The planning application for its first store in Thurrock was fought at every stage by the three supermarket giants, Tesco, Safeway (the Argyll Group) and Sainsbury's.

When the three market chains failed in their combined efforts to prevent the application being granted by Thurrock Council, they took their action to the High Court. There, I am happy to say, they lost their battle to prevent real price competition in the selling of food. They are now pursuing their efforts in the Court of Appeal.

But apart from trying to stifle competition, where does my "private taxation" charge come in? Perhaps *you were not aware that a* good many of the improvements to your local amenities — school buildings, infrastructure modernisation, even proposed hospital extensions — may be being built as a direct result of one of the major supermarket chains winning planning permission for a new outlet in your area. This is called "planning gain", a euphemism which once meant *only financial help offered* by a supermarket to ease pressures caused by its new building — road-widening to cope with extra traffic, say. It has now expanded to include a full-blown programme of contributions to municipal development.

*Such "planning gains"* cause little pain to the food retailing monopolies, which have continued to thrive through the recession. The incentives that they can offer to hard-pressed local councils tend to weigh heavily in their favour and against the less organised interests of small independent shops, which, needless to say, do not have the *resources to offer this* sort of largess.

> Costco does not bother courting councils

You may feel that such offers of development aid — which can be funded out of vast profits — give the supermarkets an unfair advantage in their dealings with local councils. If you view them as sincerely meant good works, you must, at any rate, see that they are achieved by playing Robin Hood in reverse. For it is the poorest who pay out the largest proportion of their earnings on food. So they are subsidising this tactical do-gooding to a disproportionate extent.

You may also feel that the greatest contribution the supermarket chains could make to public well-being would be to stop fighting against real price competition. Costco are not interested in engaging in this Byzantine game of courting council favour, nor do their minimal profit margins permit the funding of grandiose public improvement schemes. They just want to sell food cheaply.

So when the environment department gave in to local pressure and called for a public enquiry on another of Costco's proposed sites in Trafford Park, Costco simply withdrew its plans.

Lobbying, particularly by Tesco and Sainsbury's, appears to be winning the day all round. Last week, the environment department released Planning Policy Guideline No 6, which states that cash-and-carry warehouses must in future be treated like retail outlets. Although it is not spelt out, this means in effect that when they apply for planning consent, they too must expect to offer "planning gain" — which is now being *renamed "planning obliga*tion", presumably to make it sound more punitive. This is what the supermarkets like to call "levelling the playing-field". As a consumer, you may wish to call for new rules to the game.

# Self-administered tragedy?

**Vincent Foster's death has confounded the White House, says Alexander Chancellor**

The US Justice Department doesn't investigate suicides. The federal authorities are called in only when a federal crime is suspected. And with regard to the death of Vincent Foster, President Clinton's friend and legal adviser, who was found shot through the head on the banks of the Potomac River last Tuesday, there is no such suspicion. All the evidence points to suicide. An autopsy on Wednesday *yielded the conclusion that the man*ner of his death was "not inconsistent with that of a self-inflicted wound".

Yet, at the request of the White House, the Justice Department is investigating his death. Without any obvious statutory authority for doing so, it has said it will carry on with its investigation until it finds a reason why Mr Foster chose to kill himself.

This task, on the face of it, looks pretty hopeless. Mr Foster appears to have said or written nothing that *might offer any explanation. Some* friends have said he had lately seemed down about his work (he worked 12 to 14 hours a day), and possibly a little depressed. His close friend Thomas McLarty, the White House Chief of Staff, said he had been "a little tired physically", and didn't have quite his usual "positive, constructive can-do attitude".

But nobody in the White House or among his family and friends had feared even for a moment that he might commit suicide. The right-wing, Moonie-owned *Washington Times* said yesterday that it had been looking into a business association between Mr Foster and Hillary Clinton when they were close friends and partners in a law practice in Little Rock, Arkansas, but it had not got close to publishing anything and it had not approached Mr Foster about the matter. He had also been criticised recently by *The Wall Street Journal* for belonging to a supposedly over-powerful clique of Hillary's Arkansan cronies *within the* administration. But these are not the kind of pressures that should drive a cool, experienced litigation lawyer to suicide. Given the absence of any note, and the failure of searches of his home and office to produce any clues at all, it is easier to agree with President Clinton when he says that the reason for his death will never be known.



Little Rock friends: Vince Foster Jr., with his wife Lisa and Hillary and Bill Clinton attending a theatre opening in Arkansas in 1988

What, then, is the point of the Justice Department's investigation? The answer *is not hard to guess. If* there was no foul play (and the Justice Department has not yet formally ruled out the possibility of murder), a death like Mr Foster's would usually be considered a private family matter, but a suicide in the White House is such a rare and remarkable event that it inevitably arouses huge interest and speculation. The interest in Mr Foster's death is all the greater because of his life-long friendship with the president — they had known each other since kindergarten — and his later, even closer friendship with Hillary, whose pistachio nuts he used to keep in his office at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock and ration out to her so she didn't get too fat. He may have been only number two in the White House legal office, but his relationship with the Clintons meant he had far more influence than the job itself might suggest.

He had, for example, been closely involved in a number of recent presidential disasters, ranging from botched nominations to the Clinton cabinet to the White House "travelgate" fiasco. For such reasons, *The Wall Street Journal insisted this* week in an editorial that the Justice Department's investigation should be thorough and convincing. "The American public is entitled to know if Mr Foster's death was somehow connected with his high office," the newspaper said.

The White House, which has been *shaken to its foundations by the* tragedy, must be hoping that investigators will uncover some strictly personal reason for Mr Foster's despair, but there is nothing to go on yet. He was, by all accounts, a devoted family man, who would complain about how little time he spent with his wife and children. He appeared to have no personal insecurities, having sailed triumphantly through college and his law exams to become one of the most successful lawyers in the South, earning nearly $300,000 a year before taking a large salary cut to follow Mr Clinton to Washington. He was only 48 years old, an accomplished athlete, and perceived by everyone as a cool, confident man whose ambitions had been crowned with extraordinary success. So why *did he do it? "Try to remember,"* Mr Clinton said when he addressed his staff shortly after Mr Foster's death, "that work cannot be the only thing in life." Was this his way of implying that Mr Foster's work could have had nothing to do with his death?

Perhaps it hadn't anyway, but the suicide — if that's what it was, and whatever its motives may have been — was an immensely cruel blow for an intimate friend and colleague to deliver to a troubled president. The blow is hardest of course, for Mr Foster's wife and children, but Mr Clinton's shock and unhappiness have been obvious for all to see. It has been so hurtful to him both personally and politically that it almost looks like some mysterious act of revenge.

"This will have affected the president more than anything else that has happened here in the last six months," an unnamed Clinton aide told *The Washington Post*, which went on to describe it as "a cosmic kick in the stomach".

Mr Foster's death is certainly far more *disorientating* even than the political furore over gays in the military, the mess-ups over presidential nominations, the set-backs for the president's economic package, and the fuss of his Los Angeles airport haircut. Mr Foster was at the centre of a tight-lipped band of Arkansan trusties, struggling together with their friends the Clintons to defend the presidency against a hostile press and Congress and an increasingly disillusioned public.

And now he has been ripped away from them in a particularly horrible and mysterious fashion — and at a moment when the storms seemed finally to be subsiding.

Mr McLarty, another member of the Arkansas group, would not discuss his feelings with the press, but chose to issue a written statement. "My heart is broken," *it said. It could* well be he was not exaggerating.

# Toujours vacances

THE TIMES DIARY

Who's who? Who's with who? And who's where? These are the staples of a diarist's life. But it's the exotic variations such as who's not where that enliven our *chosen path from time to time. Today* is such an occasion.

So, *faites attention, mes amis,* while I relate a scoop, namely that there is absolutely no one in Provence. Or to describe the discovery more precisely: there are absolutely no Brits in Provence. Germans, Dutch, and Italians there are in their usual enthusiastic abundance. But of the British there is no sign.

So what social phenomenon is it, that has made the traditional summer pastime of spotting the GB sticker such poor sport in the South of France? Is it simply the *franc fort*? Or, deprived of a referendum, are we *voting with our suitcases?*

Or are there other and stranger forces at work? I suspect there may be. For among the expatriate community, there is much talk of a plot hatched by second-home-owning executives in the higher echelons of the BBC. They planned, it is said, the ultimate deterrent. Code name: *A Year in Provence*. Target: the dread M-word. Not Maastricht; Mayle.

The plot's strength was its simplicity — to make a programme so dreadful that no self-respecting British *holidaymaker would ever again visit* Provence. It appears to have worked, leaving the expats free to return to such traditional pastimes as pricing locals out of the housing market.

But there is a cloud on the azure sky in the shape of Charles Denton, the newish head of drama at the BBC. This week he indicated to *The Times* that *A Year in Provence* would not have reached the screen had he been around at the time. His job, he said, was to recognise a turkey when he saw one and strangle it. The expats, who know a *dinde* when they see one, are already hatching a new plot to strangle Denton's career. Code *name: Toujours Provence.*

An unwilling pawn in this devilish game has been, of course, John Thaw, the actor who recently took a few faltering steps towards professional recovery by agreeing to a cameo appearance in the "Inspector Morose" advertising campaign for the BT3 share offer. Hated the campaign may have been, but, like *A Year in Provence*, effective. For just as the British are avoiding Provence, so the final tranche of BT shares opened at a handsome premium.

Just for once, the French have decided to follow Britain's lead, and promptly announced plans to privatise a whole raft of state-owned companies. The marketing campaign will apparently be based upon Peter Maylaise, an already wealthy writer *who makes a second fortune by* investing in French privatisation stocks. John Thaw is said to have declined the part. Mel Smith is considering it.

While the week in Britain was dominated by Maastricht, Provence has also been in the grip of M-word fever. Here, however, the activities of *les Euro-sceptiques* are relegated to the inside pages, leaving two things to compete for the front page headlines: the mini and Marseilles.

"*Chanel relance le Mini*", declared the front pages. When Yves Saint Laurent concurred, 24 hours later, it was decreed that the last word in fashion this winter would be five letters long: *court*. As the news hit Provence, X-ray Parisiennes, *en vacances*, breathed a collective sigh of relief, and skirts, which they had reluctantly allowed to fall to the knee, were hitched higher once more.

But even the mini-skirt had to take second place to the saga of events surrounding the Marseilles football team. Events that make the battle between Alan Sugar and Terry Venables look like a teddy bears' *déjeuner sur l'herbe*. The week ended with Jean-Pierre Bernès, the team's director, being released from jail after more than a fortnight. That was the good news for M Bernès, who spent all week *denying to magistrates that* he had fixed the results of games by bribing players. The bad news is that the enquiry continues.

Not surprisingly, there is speculation that Bernard Tapie, Marseilles's flamboyant owner, may be looking for a new director. If so, he would need someone remarkable, someone accustomed to the extravagant ways of football teams, someone familiar with the idea of spending huge sums on rather intangible assets, and someone who knows how cruel a mistress limelight can be.

Now the word on the *Canebière* is that just such a person has recently become available. And what's more, someone with influence in high places. M Tapie is saying nothing, but seasoned Marseilles-watchers have noted plans for an elaborate refurbishment of the reception area at Marseilles. The Italian marble cannot be far behind.

MATTHEW BOND



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# OUT OF THE HOUSE

## The prime minister's strength and authority remain in doubt

Gratefully, like children chastened by the mere threat of a beating, the Tory party at Westminster dispersed last night. After the public disorder of Thursday night, Friday was quieter. On Thursday the prime minister had taken his true gamble; he had decided that a general election would follow defeat in the confidence vote. The practical enacting of that decision, the winning of the vote, was much less dramatic. Only the hardiest Tory opponents of John Major and the Maastricht treaty were likely to vote for an election which they would lose: and eventually none was hardy enough to do so.

On Thursday the story was of a fine prime ministerial speech, whose virtues were undone behind the scenes. The humiliating price that he paid was not for that day's performance but for all the mistakes of policy, personnel and principle he has made since September. Yesterday it was the opposite story. Mr Major was tired and dull — and could be forgiven for that. But in corridors and offices the mood was of unity, a peculiarly sullen and defensive form of unity but unity none the less. The party bosses want to draw a line under the past.

That will not be easy. Can a prime minister, whose authority has been brought so low, ever rise again to command the respect necessary to lead? At a time when good economic news has so little impact upon his personal standing, can he even stop his fall? Will the Conservative party, famously ruthless in pursuit of its ends once roused, endure a leader whose problems have appeared so endless?

The answers were not clear yesterday. The general drift of the verdicts, however, was not encouraging for Mr Major. Douglas Hurd made a spirited appeal for a fresh start but enhanced his own reputation more than the prime minister's. The power of Kenneth Clarke's interventions was contrasted favourably with that of the prime minister — not just by John Smith, who greatly enhanced his leadership of the Labour party this week, but on the Tory benches too. Mr Clarke should perhaps not have given his supporters that opportunity. But he did. The point was made.

Nor will the right-wing candidates be quiet in the face of such new possibilities. On Thursday senior cabinet members agreed that only a dissolution threat would stem the anti-Maastricht tide. But part of the national tide is against Mr Major himself — and that may be stemmed without a general election.

Meanwhile the Treaty on European Union remains as federalist as its title originally proclaimed. The only difference is that more people are more aware now of the gambles that the prime minister originally took; also of the extent to which the success of those gambles — in keeping Britain free of monetary union and intrusive social legislation — depended on Mr Major's own strength and authority.

That authority remains in doubt. Mr Hurd tried hard in his speech to be generous to the rebels. But they do not want the generosity of the victor; they want increased determination to fight for their concerns in the next three years of negotiations. It is hard to see how more blood will not be spilt during this process — on both sides. "The political mood in the country begins in the House of Commons," Mr Hurd said. The country will remember Thursday's mood rather longer than that of yesterday.

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# END OF AN ERA

## Changing of the old guard in Italy

Under the dyspeptic eye of its leader Mino Martinazzoli, dubbed "the gravedigger" for his tendency to draw on funereal metaphors to characterise his party's plight, Italy's once formidable Christian Democrat party is meeting in Rome this weekend. The DC is still the largest party in Italy, but its legendary ability to garner 35-40 per cent of the vote through a cunning fusion of appeals to family, church and state has evaporated in scandal. With 74 of its members of parliament under investigation for corruption, and the old party barons of the Andreotti, Forlani and Pomicino generations still proclaiming their innocence and resisting reform of what remains of the party machine, the hole in the ground beckons.

Signor Martinazzoli hopes that with a new name, a new programme and improved organisation the DC can survive both its heavy involvement in Italy's systematised political corruption and its loss of a role as the natural party of opposition to the "red menace". But the favoured new name, Centro Popolare, is an expression of hope that belies the electoral facts. Leading DC reformers retort that if the political ideals the DC claims to represent are to survive in Italian politics, the party must disband and make room for a new alliance of the centre.

Catholic voters, in a trend that will reduce the influence of the church in Italian politics, are deserting in droves: they are going to the Northern League which is conquering much of the middle ground north of the Appenines with its fiery blend of populism, federalism and free market fervour; to new reformist alliances in the centre; and even to the left-wing anti-Mafia party, La Rete. In the two-round, French-style municipal elections, last month, it was humiliated across the country, pulling in only 18 per cent of the national vote. It reached the second round in mayoral contests in only 61 out of 145 towns and cities, and won in a miserable nine. The DC can find minor consolation in the near-dismemberment of the socialists in the wake of the scandalous parliamentary vote last April not to lift the immunity from prosecution of its former leader, Bettino Craxi. But there is none in last month's relatively solid performance of the Democratic Party of the Left (PDS), the renamed excommunists, which hung on to its own central "red belt". As the old political system disintegrates, the PDS currently has a better claim than the Christian Democrats to be the national party most likely to contain the separatist challenge of the Northern League.

The DC party leaders hope that electoral reforms now being negotiated in the Italian parliament could, paradoxically, save it from oblivion, since it would gain under a first past the post system on the British model. But leading reformers such as Rosy Brodi, the formidable new DC party leader in the Veneto region who created a sensation last November by banning all party members under judicial investigation from office, say bluntly that whatever the new system, the DC cannot arrest the haemorrhage in its support and should disband now.

The party should listen. The new brooms in Italian politics are those that best respond to the deep-rooted desire of Italian voters for a "normal" political system, in which parties have specific political platforms, governments are accountable to the electorate, and voting them out of office is a practical possibility.

If it stays in being the DC could hang on in the south, at the risk of Italy being divided, like Gaul, into three parts — with the excommunists claiming the centre and the Northern League feeding on old regional rivalries. But whichever voice prevails this weekend, the party which has formed the core of Italy's eternally shifting, but never really changing, ruling coalitions for nearly half a century has reached the end of an era.

# PRIDE OF NEASDEN

## A good local museum can cross cultures as well as motorways

Brent Council yesterday reopened its Grange Museum in the middle of Neasden roundabout with a permanent exhibition called "Brent people". Local residents have given their treasured possessions as exhibits in a gallery equivalent of the car-boot sale. One turned up with the wing of a 1930s aeroplane as a memento of the aircraft industry that flourished in Brent before the war, having first cut it in half to fit on the bus.

That might sound like the start of one the loony-left stories about Brent that have made the shabby borough in north London a byword for political battiness, in the way that the Irish are treated as cliché buffoons by the English, and Cork men by the Irish. Neasden has long been ridiculed as the most boring suburb in the world by *Private Eye*, which has also had success with its description of the "London Borough of Bent". Other publications have been less subtle. And the extravagant behaviour of politicians on Brent Council has made it an easy target for municipal jokes.

Brent's policy for its museums is not silly, however. It is imaginative. The borough is culturally fractured, with 225,000 people speaking 98 different languages, and the North Circular and other huge roads carving it asunder. The arts are a good way to provide cultural cohesion for the racial melting-pot and poverty of Brent. Characteristically, Brent started by setting up an institute of contemporary arts. It then discovered that the locals did not much care for avant-garde art, because nobody went there. So Brent took the unconventional step of asking its citizens what they wanted. One of the things they wanted was a local museum of their borough. The modern enthusiasm for local history and the roots of places and families have created this do-it-yourself museum of an unfashionable place.

It can seem somewhat precious when household objects are turned into fetishes and design icons as soon as they become obsolete for their original function. In many museums, objects are taken out of their natural habitats so that they can be conveniently gazed at, like animals in a zoo. Something about them has died in their removal. But at the museum on Neasden roundabout, children will be able to dress up in the costumes of the 1920s rather than peer at them on dummies. A manual telephone exchange will hook into the audio history tapes, and old photographs of the borough will be called up on screens by computer.

By harnessing this contemporary interest in the everyday lives of ordinary people, Brent is riding the museum wave of the age. By asking its customers what they want, it is setting an unusual but healthy example to some elitist local art barons. By its do-it-yourself museum it is bringing a sense of community to its wildly multicultural borough. This is the sort of thing that could give Brent a good name. But, in spite of its appropriateness for the borough of screaming tyres, Brent really should, when it can afford it and for everybody's safety, move its museum off Neasden roundabout.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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## Dentists' rebuttal of HIV charge

*From the Chief Executive of the British Dental Association*

Sir, The headline above Tom Mangold's article (July 22), "British dentists won't follow rules that will save patients' lives", seems to me inaccurate and misleading. It played on patients' fears and set the tone for an unjustified attack on the dental profession. Your readers and the public in general must be reassured about the safety of dental practice.

The Acer case is the only proven incident anywhere in the world of a patient becoming infected with HIV after seeing a health-care worker.

Mr Mangold admits that there is a 99.994 per cent certainty that it was Acer's virus that infected his patients. The Centre for Disease Control (CDC), the world authority in the spread of Aids, gave it as its preferred option that "Acer's infected blood somehow entered the blood of his patients". In other words it looks as if the infection was spread from dentist to patient, not from one patient to another.

There seems to be a growing feeling in the USA that the infection may have been spread deliberately. One could conclude that the CDC has virtually ruled out dental equipment, including handpieces, as a source of HIV transmission in the Acer case. Tom Mangold opted for the more obscure patient-to-patient route through dental handpieces. I am not aware of any evidence from anywhere in the world that this piece of equipment has transmitted any disease, let alone HIV.

There remains a theoretical possibility that handpieces could be a source of cross-infection and for this reason the British Dental Association's guidelines advocate that they should be sterilised in an autoclave after each use. Dentists have a problem in adhering to these guidelines, not "for reasons of pure profit" nor because they don't "give a hoot about guidelines" but for the simple reason that many handpieces are damaged by the process.

Guidelines are not as ineffective as Tom Mangold suggested. Real sanctions exist and are enforced. He was incorrect in stating that no dentist has been struck off by the General Dental Council (GDC) for failing to observe the guidelines: one has been struck off, although in this case other charges were also considered.

He also failed to mention the introduction in 1992 of practice inspections which are carried out by family health service authorities and health boards. An inspecting dentist may suggest improvements that can be made and such advice will be taken seriously. If this advice is ignored, however, there is effective machinery to ensure compliance, with referral to the GDC as a last resort.

Finally there is no truth in Tom Mangold's statement that this association "promptly set up a 12-telephone emergency helpline". No special arrangements were made to handle calls.

Yours sincerely,
JOHN HUNT,
Chief Executive,
British Dental Association,
64 Wimpole Street, W1.
July 22.

*From Mr Howard K. Koch*

Sir, If dentists could be responsible for the spread of Aids then why have not large numbers of patients been infected with serum hepatitis? This virus is much harder to kill than the Aids virus, indeed it must be autoclaved in order to be inactivated and can be transmitted by saliva alone. Also the illness is only evident a few months after infection.

Yours faithfully,
HOWARD KOCH
(Dental surgeon),
54 High Street,
Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire.
July 22.

## Thai drugs case

*From Mr Virachai Plasai*

Sir, Whilst I find that the majority of the views expressed in your leading article on Patricia Cahill and Karyn Smith (July 22) give a fair and balanced picture of the situation, I am surprised to find the allegation still being made that the Thai police or customs officials might have framed the two women.

This allegation is entirely without foundation. The Thai and the British customs authorities involved, as well as the Foreign Office, are and always have been perfectly satisfied that the women were carrying the amount of heroin they were accused of.

It would be nice to think, now that the women have been pardoned and allowed to return home, that they might try to persuade those who have alleged that they were framed to "believe the obvious", as Ms Cahill herself is reported to have said (July 20). The women are guilty. They received a fair trial and were sentenced for their crime.

To receive the insults which Thailand has in recompense for the co-operation it has extended to Britain in combating the drugs trade is highly offensive, and a source of considerable concern.

Yours sincerely,
VIRACHAI PLASAI
(First Secretary),
The Royal Thai Embassy,
30 Queen's Gate, SW7.
July 22.

## Sweet singing in the choir — from girls as well as boys

*From Mr Patrick Salisbury*

Sir, I applaud your well argued leader (July 17) on girl choristers. Those who heard the Salisbury girls on their first "away fixture" as part of the 17th International Organ Festival in St Albans Abbey last week will need no further convincing about the beauty of the sound they make or their ability to hold their own against a full complement of lay clerks when singing the standard cathedral repertoire. The tone is certainly different from that of boys' voices (although not markedly) but diversity is to be welcomed.

Girl choristers have been serving in parish church choirs for much longer than in cathedrals and few parishes enjoy the luxury of having separate boys' and girls' choirs.

It is perfectly possible for pubescent boys to sing effectively alongside girls, although not every traditionally trained director of music finds this easy to achieve at first. However, one great advantage is that it facilitates a natural transition for young trebles (boy and girl) into the adult section of the choir as and when their voices and inclinations warrant it.

We surely need to consider the production of future sopranos and contraltos as well as tenors and basses; not to mention that other rare commodity — the future choir-mistress.

Yours sincerely,
PATRICK SALISBURY
(Secretary, Archbishops' Commission on Church Music, 1988-92),
7 Chapel Lane, Sutton Courtenay,
Abingdon, Oxfordshire.
July 18.

*From the Master of the Music, St Albans Abbey*

Sir, Our daughter is a chorister at Salisbury Cathedral and in my view the Salisbury experiment (for that was surely what it was) has been an enormous success. On July 12 those 18 girls joined forces with the men and boys of the choirs of Magdalen College, Oxford, and St Albans Abbey in an enjoyable and challenging concert.

From that experience I find it difficult to accept the comment (report, July 17) by Harry Bramma, director of the Royal School of Church Music, that "anyone who claimed there was no difference in the sound of girls and boys 'had cloth ears'".

Surely he must remember the experiment at the cathedral organists' conference at St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, in May 1991, when the mixed choir had sung to a distinguished gathering. Their choirmaster, Dr Dennis Townhill, then placed a screen in front of the choir and asked the unseen boys and/or girls to sing on their own, in pairs, or small groups. The visiting organists were then asked to identify the sex of each singer. Many got the answers wrong.

Perhaps traditionalists are worrying needlessly. The success of the choirs at Salisbury is that each has its own identity as a separate unit, joining together only on special school and diocesan occasions. The benefits of having two choirs should bring new members flocking to the Friends of Cathedral Music.

Salisbury Cathedral now has a sung service every weekday in term time. On Wednesday, the day when my boy choristers do not sing (in common with most cathedrals) I am nevertheless able to attend choral evensong there. The permutation of two choirs also brings great relief over the teaching of new music and allows participation in extra things such as recordings and concerts.

Yours faithfully,
BARRY ROSE,
Master of the Music, Cathedral and Abbey Church of St Alban,
31 Abbey Mill Lane,
St Albans, Hertfordshire.
July 20.

*From Mr Murray Forbes Somerville*

Sir, I have been instrumental in starting the Royal School of Church Music's training course for girl choristers in the United States, as well as girls' choir at St Luke's Cathedral in Orlando, Central Florida. In seeking to give girls their rightful place in the choir stalls we need to be aware that simply to mix pre-pubescent girls and boys in choirs is not necessarily the right answer.

If one observes almost any of the mixed-voice children's choirs in the United States, one will see a large preponderance of girls and a few brave boys. Under such circumstances singing is often perceived by boys as "cissy", and the future supply of tenors and basses is threatened.

Efforts such as those of Salisbury Cathedral to establish separate organisations for boys and girls have been shown to be much more fruitful, and are to be commended.

Yours faithfully,
MURRAY FORBES SOMERVILLE,
The Memorial Church,
Harvard University,
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02138.
July 17.

*From Mr Alan Thurlow*

Sir, Much of the debate on girls' voices in cathedral choirs has seemed to centre on comparisons between the different qualities of girls' and boys' voices. The main issue, however, is whether the provision of new girls' choirs on a job-sharing basis will undermine the tradition of boy trebles.

Most of us have witnessed in our lifetimes the virtual disappearance of boys from parish church choirs and this, I believe, is probably the largest single factor in the declining number of boys coming forward for cathedral voice trials.

Only time will tell whether cathedrals will similarly suffer a decline in their boys' choirs. The new experiments for girls should be monitored carefully until we can be sure that, in establishing new traditions, we are not inadvertently dismantling the old.

It should not be forgotten that nature provides girls with an immense advantage over the boys at the ages of 14, 15 and 16, when a boy is vocally in the wilderness.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN THURLOW (Chairman,
Friends of Cathedral Music),
2 St Richard's Walk,
Chichester, West Sussex.
July 21.

*From Mr Peter Boorman*

Sir, A girls' choir was established in 1966 at St Davids Cathedral, where I spent 25 years as organist and master of the choristers. In such a crisis as is fortunately rare before a live broadcast, we borrowed ten girls from Ysgol Dewi Sant, our local secondary school.

After the transmission a card arrived from Sir Percy Hull, organist emeritus of Hereford, praising the tone of our "boys". He was old, experienced and distinguished and I fell into none of these categories, so I did not enlighten him.

There was no secret, merely the careful choice of high-calibre, musical girls of early secondary school age and the describing to them of the exact tone and style needed — followed, naturally, by endless practice.

Yours faithfully,
PETER BOORMAN,
The Old Vicarage,
Llandeloy,
Haverfordwest, Dyfed.
July 17.

*From Mr A. B. Garnish*

Sir, Your report and leading article made no mention of the girls' choir at Wakefield Cathedral, which was formed in March 1992. It has sung each Sunday, sang in the BBC's *Songs of Praise* from the cathedral in February, and recently sang evensong jointly with the male choir.

Yours faithfully,
ANTHONY GARNISH,
5 Pledwick Drive, Sandal,
Wakefield, West Yorkshire.
July 19.

## Parish dues

*From Mr and Mrs Ken Bartlett*

Sir, We were particularly interested in Ruth Gledhill's article (July 13) on Church of England finances as we had been at a parochial church council meeting the previous evening when next year's quota was discussed.

Our parish is in the Winchester diocese which, your correspondent commented, "is close to becoming self-supporting". We have 284 on our electoral roll, of whom at least half are retired. We have two large Victorian churches to maintain. We have been advised that our 1994 quota will be £31,231. At the moment we have no idea how we are going to find it.

Yours faithfully,
KEN BARTLETT,
ANNE BARTLETT,
7 Wren Crescent, Branksome,
Poole, Dorset.

## Well worn ball gowns

*From Mr John K. Thompson*

Sir, It is clear (letters, July 21) that the recession, in the South-East at least, has lasted far longer and bitten far deeper than hitherto supposed. Four out of the seven gentlewomen who appear to have been unable to afford new clothes since about the 1940s write to you from Kent.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN K. THOMPSON,
Falklands,
Tetsworth, Oxfordshire.
July 22.

## Gordon's last stand

*From Mr Lawrence James*

Sir, The intelligence report ("Mystery over Gordon's fate", July 16) that the general was alive and a prisoner of the Mahdi was indeed "untrustworthy" as the Foreign Office official at the time commented. So was the version of Gordon's death which emerged from the intelligence staff of Lord Wolseley, commander-in-chief in the Sudan at that period, in which the unresisting Christian martyr-hero is cut down on the steps of the Khartoum residency.

This skilful piece of disinformation created the familiar and compelling imperial icon in which Gordon, the lone representative of civilisation and order, defies the forces of anarchy and barbarism.

The truth appears to have been that Gordon died, revolver in hand, fighting with what Karl Neufeld, a German businessman then present in Khartoum, described to British intelligence on his release from captivity as "superhuman strength". This account was endorsed by two former Mahdist warriors, who were alive in the 1920s, when they were interviewed by a British official.

They recalled Gordon dying in an exchange of fire during the storming of the residency. One of the pair said he believed that Gordon shot dead several assailants before he was hit by rifle fire. Both men knew that the Mahdi wanted him alive for ransom, and so kept quiet about what they had seen.

This tale, or something very like it, was known to Wolseley's staff from contemporary reports by native agents, but imperial interests, in particular the need to present the later reconquest of the Sudan as vengeance for Gordon, required the public to see his death in terms of martyrdom rather than as a gallant soldier falling in the midst of battle.

Yours faithfully,
LAWRENCE JAMES
(Author, *The Savage Wars: The British Conquest of Africa 1870-1920*),
St Leonard's House,
South Street, St Andrews, Fife.
July 17.

## Life and livers

*From Professor Sir Roy Calne, FRS*

Sir, This is National Transplant Week. The compassionate portrayal of Ben Hardwick, one of the earliest child liver transplant patients in Europe, in the BBC television programme *That's Life* nearly ten years ago paved the way for liver transplantation in children to become accepted and many hundreds of youngsters have benefited from this operation.

Some of our patients are now teenagers, fully rehabilitated.

Yours faithfully,
ROY CALNE,
University of Cambridge
Clinical School,
Department of Surgery,
Level 9, Addenbrooke's Hospital,
Hills Road, Cambridge.
July 19.

## Free bobbies

*From Mr D. S. Smith*

Sir, So now we know. The government believes that an answer to the problem of law and order is the appointment of local "bobbies" (report, July 20) who will neither be paid nor have powers of arrest. Perhaps the residents of Christchurch will shortly put them right.

Yours sincerely,
D. S. SMITH,
16 Hayes Barton,
Pyrford, Surrey.
July 20.

## Study in indecision

*From Mr Michael Patchett-Joyce*

Sir, Parliament, but not the country, has voted on Maastricht. We now have a position where those who can vote cannot decide, and those who might decide cannot vote. Is this democracy at work?

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL PATCHETT-JOYCE,
3 Willow Road,
Hampstead, NW3.
July 23.

*From Mr Michael John Crowley*

Sir, At least in Denmark the whole electorate had the chance to go on voting until they got it right.

Yours faithfully,
M. J. CROWLEY,
94 Bow Lane, Finchley, N12.
July 23.

## Judicial cover

*From Mr Francis Wilford-Smith*

Sir, Lord Taylor is quoted as saying (report, July 12) that the judicial wig "makes us look slightly ridiculous". Might it not be the case that some judges look slightly ridiculous without them, and only acquire the true majesty and authority of the law when they put them on?

Yours faithfully,
FRANCIS WILFORD-SMITH,
Bentleys Farm, Bosbury,
Ledbury, Herefordshire.

*From Mr Ray Petch*

Sir, Having been compelled to become a fairly prolific litigant-in-person in recent years, I had until recently adhered to the view that the wearing of wigs gave to judges an appropriately distanced and ritualistic presence. But the other day, when crossing the Strand, I received a smiling greeting from a gentleman whom I failed completely to recognise. As I completed my crossing, I realised that he had been a distinguished Lord Justice of Appeal before whom I had appeared four times (lost 3, won 1).

This, combined with a growing feeling that more humanity is needed in the administration of law, made me an instant convert to wiglessness.

Yours faithfully,
RAY PETCH,
3 Laureate Gardens,
Newmarket, Suffolk.

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# COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 23: Lieutenant General Robin Ross was received by The Queen upon his appointment as Commandant General Royal Marines.

His Excellency Señor Luis Prieto-Ocampo was received in audience by Her Majesty and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Colombia to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy: Dr Jorge Uribe-Botero (Minister Plenipotentiary), Senora Liliana Bonilla (Counsellor Consular Affairs), Colonel Rafael Morales (Military and Air Attaché), Captain Ricardo Alvarado (Naval Attaché), Dr Guillermo Botero (Counsellor, Coffee Affairs), Dr Néstor Osorio (Counsellor, Coffee Affairs), Senora Alba Zuluaga (First Secretary) and Dr Ghazi Farage (Second Secretary).

Senora de Prieto was also received by The Queen.

Sir John Coles (Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

Mr Justice Dyson was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Bachelor.

His Excellency Senor Luis Rafael Tinoco and Senora de Tinoco were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Republic of Costa Rica to the Court of St. James's.

His Excellency Mr P.L.U. Cross was received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago in London.

Sir Brian McGrath was received by The Queen when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

The Duke of Edinburgh, President, National Playing Fields Association, today visited the "West Wilts 93" Show, Trowbridge, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Wiltshire (Field Marshal Sir Roland Gibbs). Brigadier Miles Hunt-Davis was in attendance.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
July 23: The Princess Royal this morning visited Holy Trinity Church, Northside, Workington, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Cumbria (Sir Charles Graham, Bt).

Her Royal Highness, President, Save the Children Fund, afterwards visited the Save the Children Fund Shop, 1 Washington Street, Workington.

The Princess Royal later laid the foundation stone at the Westlakes Research Institute, Ingwell Hall, Westlakes Science Park, Moor Row.

Her Royal Highness, President, Save the Children Fund, this afternoon visited the Save the Children Fund Shop, 17 Scotch Street, Carlisle.

Finally The Princess Royal visited Carlisle Racecourse.

Mrs Timothy Holderness-Roddam was in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE
July 23: Lieutenant-Colonel Nigel Lithgow today had the honour of being received by Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Colonel-in-Chief, The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment), upon relinquishing his appointment as Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 23: The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, Army Air Corps, this morning received Lieutenant Colonel Michael O'Donoghue upon relinquishing his appointment as Commanding Officer, 1 Regiment, and Lieutenant Colonel Arthur Gibson upon assuming the appointment.

Later The President of the Republic of India visited His Royal Highness.

KENSINGTON PALACE
July 23: The Duke of Gloucester, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Logistic Corps this morning visited the Royal Logistic Corps Territorial Army Headquarters and Training Centre at Prince William of Gloucester Barracks, Grantham, Lincolnshire. Major Nicholas Barne was in attendance.

The Duke of Gloucester, accompanied by The Duchess of Gloucester, this evening took the Salute at a Performance of the Royal Tournament at Earls Court, London SW5. Mrs Howard Page and Major Nicholas Barne were in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
July 23: The Duke of Kent this evening attended the Tri-Service Staff College's 30th Anniversary Dinner at the Royal Naval Staff College, Greenwich, London SE10. Commander Roger Walker, RN was in attendance.

## New discoveries challenge views on hieroglyphics

# Earliest tomb of pharaoh is found

By Norman Hammond, Archaeology Correspondent

THE earliest known tomb of an Egyptian pharaoh has been discovered in the royal necropolis at Abydos. Among the finds are an ivory sceptre and 400 imported pots that probably held wine.

Dating to around 3150 BC, the 12-chambered tomb contained some of the oldest examples of hieroglyphic writing known, on ivory tags used to label bundles of goods, which suggest a new interpretation for the origins of Egyptian literacy.

Abydos, some 300 miles south of Cairo and on the west bank of the Nile downstream from Thebes and the Valley of the Kings, was the burial place of Egypt's first dynasties.

Dr Günter Dreyer, of the German Archaeological Institute in Cairo, giving the Sackler Lecture at the British Museum this week, said that the discovery "moves the border between prehistory and history back 200 years". The new evidence from Abydos enables the rulers of the hitherto shadowy "Dynasty 0", dating to before 3000 BC, to be named in the order of their reigns, Dr Dreyer suggested.

The newly-investigated tomb forms part of an area of Predynastic graves shown by recent discoveries to be linked to the more impressive First Dynasty tombs just to the south. It is, however, exceptionally large for this part of the necropolis, with nine small chambers partly enclosed by three larger ones.

Like most of the burials at Abydos, it had suffered from looting in ancient times, but among the remaining grave goods was a complete ivory *heqa* sceptre, attesting the royal status of the deceased.

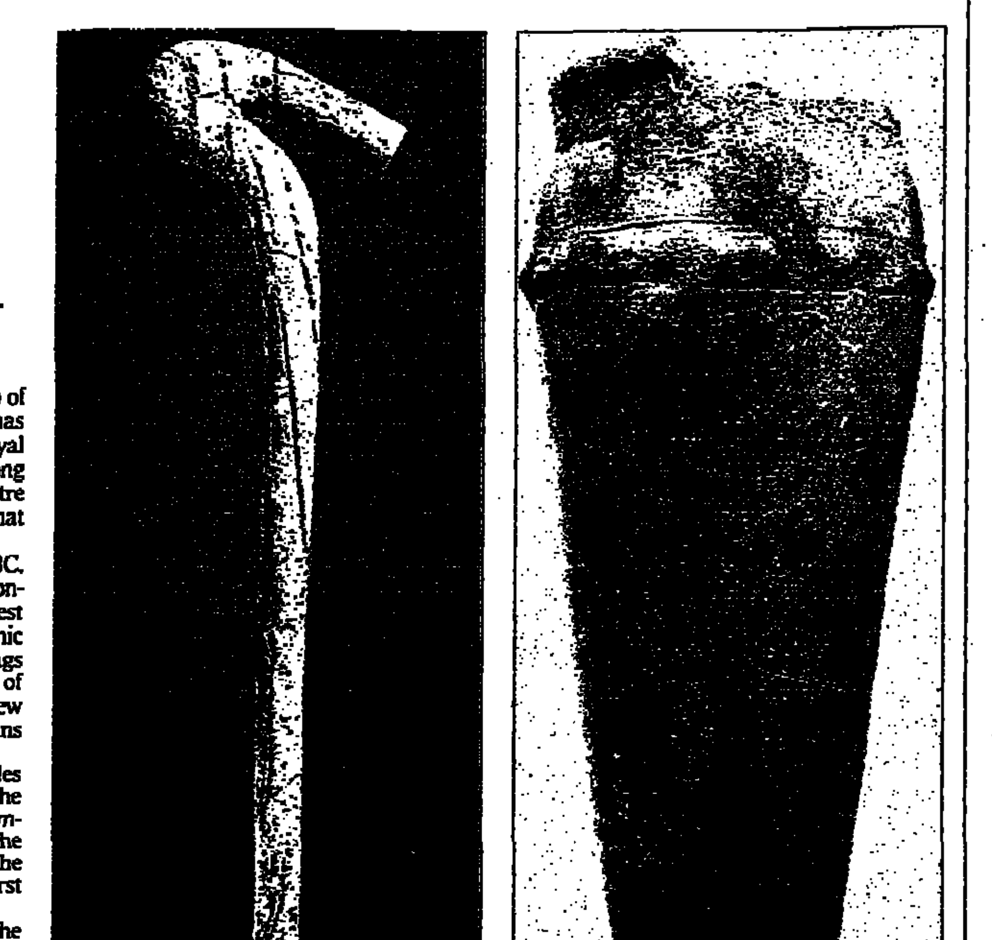
One of the larger rooms held wooden boxes, and commodities marked with small inscribed ivory tags less than an inch square; some had been re-used, indicating that they were part of an administration system.

One room contained pottery jars, with inscriptions in black ink that include a tree sign, indicating a plantation, and a variable name, of which "Scorpion" is the most common. Dr Dreyer believes this to be the name of the tomb's owner, an early ruler of Dynasty 0, and that other jars, bearing the signs of a fish or a shell and a tree, contained produce from estates founded by earlier rulers who used those regnal names. One sign, of an elephant, could be read as "*ab-ju*", and hence the origin of the toponym of Abydos, Dr Dreyer suggested.

One of the important factors in reading these new texts is the apparent presence of phonetic complements to differentiate otherwise ambiguous signs. This is a contentious matter: Dr Vivian Davies, Keeper of Egyptian Antiquities at the British Museum, notes that this would mean that all the components of later Egyptian hieroglyphic writing were present several centuries earlier than hitherto supposed, while Dr John Ray, of Cambridge University, believes that the supposed complements do not have phonetic values.

What seems certain is that the earliest use of writing, in Egypt as in Mesopotamia, was for administrative purposes. Such a conclusion challenges the established view that Egyptian hieroglyphs were invented to record history.

It raises the possibility that the idea of writing was an import from Sumer or Elam in what is now southern Iraq. The vexed question of interaction between the world's two oldest civilisations, and how much of Egyptian culture was of independent invention, will certainly be reopened after the surprising discoveries at Abydos.



Grave goods: a complete sceptre in ivory and a wavy handled vessel, with a scorpion inscription in black ink, both from the royal tomb at Abydos. Photographs from *Egyptian Archaeology*

## Royal engagements

TODAY: The Duke of Edinburgh will attend a honorary degree congregation at Cambridge University at 10.30; and will attend the centenary celebrations of the Seaview Yacht Club at the Isle of Wight at 12.45.

The Duke of Kent, President of the RAF Benevolent Fund, will attend the international air tattoo at RAF Fairford at 11.00.

TOMORROW: The Duke of Edinburgh, as Marshal of the RAF, will attend the RAF Benevolent Fund International Air Tattoo 93 at RAF Fairford at 11.10.

## University of Portsmouth

During conferment congregations at the Guildhall, Portsmouth, the University of Portsmouth has conferred honorary awards on Mr Linford Christie, athlete, Hon MSc; Mr David Fletcher, Deputy Chairman, GEC Marconi, Hon DEng; Mr Laurie Fricker, retiring Principal Lecturer, University of Portsmouth, Hon Associateship; Mr Peter Mills, retiring Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academic), University of Portsmouth, Hon DUniv and Hon Associateship; Mrs Yvonne Moores, Chief Nursing Officer, Department of Health, Hon DSc; Mr Michael Pipes, former Governor, University of Portsmouth, Hon MBA; Mr John Smith, QPM, Deputy Commissioner, Metropolitan Police, Hon Fellowship; the Earl of Snowdon, KCVO, Hon DLitt; and the Very Rev David Stancliffe, Provost of St Thomas's Cathedral, Portsmouth, Hon DLitt.

## Service dinners

**RN College Greenwich**
Field Marshal the Duke of Kent was the guest of honour at the 30th annual dinner of the Three Services' Staff Colleges at the Royal Naval College Greenwich. Commodore R.J. Fisher, Commandant of the RN Staff College, presided.

**RAF Benevolent Fund**
Prince Faisal of Jordan was present last night at a dinner given by the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund at the Science Museum, Wroughton, to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Royal Air Force. The dinner was sponsored by Lockheed Aeronautical Systems and its industrial partners in the Hercules C130J Project. Air Chief Marshal Sir Thomas Kennedy, Controller of the RAF Benevolent Fund, presided, and Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, Chief of the Air Staff, Mr Jeremy Hanley, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, Mr K. Cannestra, President of Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Group, also spoke.

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr J.D.W. Ashcroft and Miss P.C. Young**
The engagement is announced between John, youngest son of Mr and Mrs David Ashcroft, of Ashton Keynes, Wiltshire, and Phillippa, daughter of Captain Hugh Young, RN, of London and Cambridge, and the late Mrs Patricia Young.

**Mr K.A. Foord and Miss E.C. Moody**
The engagement is announced between Kevin, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Gordon Foord, of Loudwater Village, Buckinghamshire, and Erica Clare, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Rodney Moody, of Seer Green, Buckinghamshire.

**Dr R.D. Hamilton and Dr A.C. Shore**
The engagement is announced between Russell Douglas, son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Hamilton, of Brisbane, and Angela Carole, daughter of the late Mr Gordon Shore and of Mrs Joan Shore, of Heads Nook, Carlisle.

**Dr I. Mason and Miss J.F. Wetenhall**
The engagement is announced between Ian, younger son of Mr and Mrs William Mason, of Shiremoor, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and Jaqueline, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs James Wetenhall, of Effingham, Surrey.

**Mr M.N. Tucker and Miss V.L. Hoare**
The engagement is announced between Marcus, younger son of Mr and Mrs Louis Newton Tucker, of Holmwood, Surrey, and Vanessa, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Hoare, of Bruton, Somerset.

## Marriages

**Mr C. Anthony and Miss J. Henry**
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 17, at St John the Baptist Church, Okewood Hill, Surrey, of Colin Anthony, of Waltham Abbey, Essex, to Joanna Henry, of Ewhurst, Surrey. The Rev Colin Tickner officiated.

**Mr N.R. Carson and Miss A. Gotto**
The marriage took place on July 18 at Wykeham Abbey, Yorkshire, between Mr Nicholas Carson, of Sydney, and Miss Ainsley Gotto, of Brisbane, Australia.

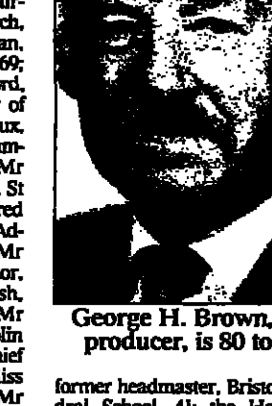
**Mr M. May and Mrs M. Bennett**
The marriage took place on July 20, 1993, between Mr Michael May, of Harare, Zimbabwe, and Mrs Moira Bennett, of Hove, Sussex.

## Weekend birthdays

Lord Nicholas Windsor celebrates his birthday tomorrow.

**Today**
Mr John Ambler, former chairman, Texaco, 59; Baroness Blatch, 56; Sir Trevor Chinn, chairman, Lex Service, 58; Lord Digby, 69; Lord Fisher, 72; Sir Edward Ford, secretary and registrar, Order of Merit, 83; M Jacques Fouroux, rugby player, 46; Mr C.E.A. Hambro, chairman, Hambros, 63; Mr J.W. Hele, former high master, St Paul's School, 67; Mr Wilfred Josephs, composer, 66; Vice-Admiral Sir David Loram, 69; Mr Neil McIntosh, former director, VSO, 46; Mr Edwin Mirvish, proprietor, Old Vic Theatre, 79; Mr Chris Smith, MP, 42; Sir Colin Southgate, chairman and chief executive, Thorn EMI, 55; Miss Nora Swinburne, actress, 91; Mr Quinlan Terry, architect, 56; Professor Frank Thistlethwaite, founding vice-chancellor, University of East Anglia, 78; Mr Peter Yates, film director and producer, 64.

**Tomorrow**
Sir Clifford Boulton, Clerk of the House of Commons, 63; Mr Clive Bradley, chief executive, Publishers' Association, 59; Mr James Butler, sculptor, 62; Sir William Coats, former chairman, Coats Patons, 69; Mr R.A. Collard, former headmaster, Bristol Cathedral School, 41; the Hon Lady Goodhart, principal, Queen's College, London, 54; Sir Charles Gordon, former Clerk of the House of Commons, 75; Sir Kenneth Macdonald, civil servant, 63; Sir David Napley, solicitor, 78; Professor W.R. Niblett, educationist, 87; Sir Derek Palmar, former president, Bass, 74; the Earl of Portsmouth, 39; Miss Margaret Puxon, QC, 73; Professor Lord Renfrew of Kaimsthorn, 56; the Right Rev Barry Rogerson, Bishop of Bristol, 57.



George H. Brown, film producer, is 80 today

## Dinner

**The MacRobert Trusts**
The Trustees of The MacRobert Trusts held a Dinner last night in The MacRobert Memorial Hall, Tarland, to mark the Golden Jubilee of the Trusts. Air Marshal Sir Richard Wakeford, Chairman of Trustees, presided and other speakers were Sir Denis Rooke and Air Marshal Sir Peter Bairsto.

Among those present were:
The Lord Lieutenant for Aberdeenshire and Mrs Farquharson of Whitehouse, June, Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair, the Viscount and Viscountess of Arbuthnott, Viscount and Viscountess Caldecote, Lord and Lady Clydesmuir, Lady Wakeford, Lieutenant General Sir Robert and Lady Richardson, Lady Bairsto, Lieutenant General Sir Norman Arthur, General Sir Michael and Lady Gow, Sir William and Lady Barlow, Lady Rooke, Squadron Leader and Mrs P.J.S. Boggis, Mr and Mrs I.G. Booth, Mr D.M. Heughan, Mr and Mrs A.S. Macdonald, Dr June and Dr P. Paterson-Brown, Mr M. Scrimgeour, Mr and Mrs A.M. Summers, Mr and Mrs D.D.S. Craib, Mr and Mrs D.C. Marshall, Miss M. Durno, Mrs J. Dodd, Mr and Mrs A.M. Pelham Burn, Mr and Mrs D. Morgan Milne, Mr and Mrs J.A. Douglas-Menzies, Mr W. Reid, VC, and Mrs Reid, Air Vice-Marshal A.B. Blackley, Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs C.E. Simpson, Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs D.G. Bailey, Mr and Mrs R. Salvesen, Mr and Mrs T. Dun, Professor and Mrs J. Maxwell Irvine, Dr and Mrs D.A. Kennedy, Mr G. Kynoch, MP, and Mrs G. Kynoch, Mr and Mrs M. Kalinin.

# Church services tomorrow

**CANTERBURY CATHEDRAL:** 8 HC; 9.30 M; 11 Sung Euch, Mass for three voices (Byrd), Tout puissant, très saint (Poulenc), The Archdeacon; 2.30 Major Mannock Wreath-laying Ceremony; 3.15 E, Responses (Millington), Moore in G, Their sound is gone out (Wills); 6.30 Sermon & Compline, Rev D M Campbell.

**CARLISLE CATHEDRAL:** 10.30 Sung Euch with Abbey Singers, Adagio (Mozart), Missa Sancti Nicolai (Haydn), Fantasia in G (Bach), The Dean; 3 E; 6.30 NP, Mrs Joan Barham. (Cathedral Choir on holiday until September 1)

**CHELMSFORD CATHEDRAL:** 7.30 MP; 8 HC; 9.30 Parish Communion, The Provost; 11.15 Euch, Ordinary (Merbecke), Canon Paul Brett; 4 Baptism; 6 E, Canon Peter Southwell-Sander (Cathedral Choir on holiday).

**CHESTER CATHEDRAL:** 7.45 Litany; 8 HC; 10 M, Responses (Smith), Te Deum (Ireland in F), Jubilate, Canon Owen Conway; 11.30 Choral Euch, Behold, the tabernacle of God (Harris), Darke in E; 3.30 Choral E with the Vale Royal Singers, The love of the Lord (Matthias), Jackson in G, Praise the Lord O my soul (Rutter), Very Rev Laurence Jackson; 6.30 E, Canon Owen Conway.

**COVENTRY CATHEDRAL:** 7.40 MP (Gethsemane Chapel); 8 Communion (Lady Chapel); 10.30 Cathedral Euch, Sumsion in F, Lord for thy tender (Hilton), How beautiful upon the mountains (Stainer), Rev Nigel Guthrie; 3 German Lutherans (Chapel of Unity); 3 Polish Lutherans (Chapel of the Cross); 5.30 E, Locus iste (Bruckner), Responses (Clucas), Brewer in D, Give us the wings of faith (Bullock).

**DURHAM CATHEDRAL:** 8 HC; 10.15 M, Moeran in E flat, O thou, the central orb (Wood), Canon Pedley; 11.30 HC, Jackson in G, Sacerdotes Domini (Byrd), Rev Margaret Parker; 3.30 E, Murrill in E, And I saw a new heaven (Bainton).

**ELY CATHEDRAL:** 8.15 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Leighton in D, Glorious in heaven (Vittoria), The Lord bless you and keep you (Rutter), Organ: Rouen Processional (Harker), Canon Green; 2.15 Royal British Legion Service; 3.45 E, Preces (Rose), Noble in B minor, Lift up your heads (Mathias), Organ: March on a theme of Handel (Guilmant).

**LINCOLN CATHEDRAL:** 7.45 Litany; 8 HC; 9.30 Sung Euch, Missa Brevis (Palestrina), The Dean; 11.15 M, Britten in C, Greater love hath no man (Ireland), Canon Peter Hearn; 12.30 HC; 3.45 E, Responses (Ayleward), Collegium regale (Howells).

**LLANDAFF CATHEDRAL:** 7.30 M & Litany; 8 Holy Euch, Rev S P Kirk; 9 Parish Euch, Rev S P Kirk; 11 Sung Euch, Messe Basse (Fauré), O come hither (Greene), Ven H L Clarke; 12.15 Holy Euch (Lady Chapel); 3.30 Festal E, Canticles (Arnold), Come ye children (Steffani); 6.30 Parish E & Sermon, Ven R H Roberts.

**MANCHESTER CATHEDRAL:** 8.45 MP; 9 HC; 10.30 Sung Euch, Manchester Service for Congregation (Beer), Canon Albert Radcliffe; 3.30 E.

**SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL:** 9 Euch; 11 Choral Euch, Missa Tu es petrus (Palestrina), O sacrum convivium (Tallis), When David heard (Weelkes), The Provost; 3 E, Setting (Murrill in E), And I saw a new heaven (Bainton), Rev Gordon Mursell.

**TRURO CATHEDRAL:** 8 HC; 9 M, The Treasurer; 10 Sung Euch, Locus iste (Bruckner), Missa brevis (Berkeley), Beati quorum via (Stanford), Paean (Howells), The Dean; 6 E, Responses (Smith), Stanford in B flat, Blessed pair of Sirens (Parry), Voluntary: Fiat Lux (Dubois).

**WELLS CATHEDRAL:** 8 HC; 9.45 Sung Euch, Howard in E flat (Mass), Beati quorum via (Stanford), Rev G O Farran; 11.30 M, Te Deum & Jubilate in In C, O for a closer walk with God (Stanford); 3 E, Dyson in D, Surgens Jesus (Philips), Rev C M Bonneywell.

**WESTMINSTER ABBEY:** 10 M, Responses (Leighton), Collegium regale (Howells), O quam gloriosum (Victoria), Sister Lavinia Byrne.

**WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL:** Masses 7, 8, 9, 12, 5.30 & 7; 10.30 SM, Missa Pontificalis (Perosi), Spiritus Sanctus (Shepherd), Ave verum corpus (Josquin), Sonata II (Mendelssohn); 10 MP; 2.30 Organ Recital, Dominic Perissinotto (London); 3.30 Solemn V & B, Magnificat octavi toni (Suriano), O admirabile commercium (Josquin), Scherzo (Vierne).

**YORK MINSTER:** 8 & 8.45 HC; 10 Sung Euch, Missa brevis (Patterson), Like as the hart (Howells), Rev Simon Acland; 11.30 M, Responses (Smith), If ye love me (Tallis), Stanford in B flat; 12.30 Kohima Service; 4 E, Responses (Rose), Holy is the tru light (Harris), Collegium Regale (Howells), Let the people praise thee (Mathias), Very Rev John Southgate.

**ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL,** Southwark: 6pm LM (Sat); 8, 10 (Family) & 6 LM; 11.30 SM, Fr D Dunne.

**ST GILES' CATHEDRAL,** Edinburgh: 8 HC, Rev David Macleod; 10 HC (Leighton), The Minister; 11.30 MS, Awake the harp (Haydn), Rt Rev James L Weatherhead; St Giles's at 6, with George Gwilt (flute) and Herrick Bunney (piano); 8 ES & HC, Rev Howard H Gordon.

**ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL:** 8 HC; 8.30 M; 11 HC, Messe cum jubilo (Duruflé), Notre Père (Duruflé), Canon Christopher Hill; 3.15 E, Responses (Ashfield), Alcock in D, Holy is the tru light (Harris), Voluntary: Final from Symphony No.1 (Vierne), Rt Rev & Rt Hon David Hope, Lord Bishop of London.

**ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL,** Dundee: 8 HC; 9.40 Sung Communion; 11 Sung Euch, The Dean of Des Moines; 6.30 Sung E, Rev J Morrow.

**ALL SAINTS,** Margaret Street, W1: 8 & 5.15 LM; 10.20 MP; 11 HM, Mass in G minor (Jongen), The Spirit of the Lord (Elgar), Rev C L Geake; 6 E & B, The Fourth Service (Batten), My beloved spake (Purcell), The Vicar.

**ALL SOULS,** Langham Place, W1: 11 Rev Christopher Hobbs; 6.30 Rev John Cook.

**AMERICAN CHURCH IN LONDON,** Tottenham Court Rd, W1: 9.45 Sunday School; 11 Worship, Rev James Schmidt.

**THE ASSUMPTION,** Warwick Street, W1: 11 Missa dixit Maria (Hasler), Brother James's Air (Gordon Jacob), Magnificat primi toni (Lassus).

**CROWN COURT CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,** Covent Garden, WC2: 11.15 & 6.30 Rev Stanley Hood.

**FARM STREET,** W1: 7.30, 8.30, 10, 12.15 Fr Vincent Hawe, 4.15, 6.15 LM; 11 HM, Missa brevis (Gastuldi), O quam suavi (Alain), Panis angelicus (Franck).

**THE ORATORY,** Brompton Road, SW7: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Mass, Missa de Batalla (Cererols), Sancta Maria (Mozart), 12.30, 4.30, 7; 3.30 V & B, O sacrum convivium (Perosi).

**ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF ST SAVVA,** Lancaster Road, London W2: 10.30 Divine Liturgy with traditional Serbia choral music sung in Church Salvonic.

**WESLEY'S CHAPEL,** City Road, EC2: 9.45 HC; 11 MS, Rev Paul Hulme.

**WESTMINSTER CENTRAL HALL** (Methodist), SW1: 11 & 6.30 Rev R John Tudor.

**ST BRIDE'S,** Fleet Street, EC4: 11 Choral M & Euch, Jubilate (Jackson in G), Setting (Mass for All Saints/Aston), Beati quorum via (Stanford), Rev Holt Souder, USA; 6.30 Choral E, Responses (Tomkins), St Paul's Service (Howells), O quam gloriosum (Victoria), Festival Te Deum (Britten), Canon John Oates.

**ST CLEMENT DANES:** 9 HC; 11 M, Stanford in A, O Thou the central orb (Wood), Rev David Mackenzie; 12.15 HC.

**ST MARGARET'S,** Westminster, SW1: 11 M, Responses (Ayleward), Festival Te Deum (Britten), O how glorious is thy Kingdom (Harwood), Rev Roger Holloway.

**ST PAUL'S,** Wilton Place, SW1: 8 & 9 HC; 11 Solemn Euch, Mass of the Quiet Hour (Oldroyd), As the bridegroom to his chosen (Rutter), Save us, O God (Jacob), Rev Barrie Newton.

**ST STEPHEN'S,** Gloucester Road, SW7: 8 & 9 LM; 11 SM, Missa Brevis St Joannis de Deo (Haydn), Sancta Maria (Mozart), Fr John Towers; 6 EP & B.

**CHAPEL ROYAL OF ST PETER AD VINCULA,** HM Tower of London: 9.15 HC; 11 M & Sermon, Responses (Smith), Te Deum, Benedictus (Windsor Service/Howells), My Beloved Spake (Hadley), Canon J G M W Murphy.

**CHAPEL ROYAL,** St. James's Palace: 8.30 HC; 11.15 Sung Euch, Missa brevis sancti Joannis de Deo (Haydn), Canon J F Hester.

**CHAPEL ROYAL,** Hampton Court Palace: Choral services resume on September 12. Holy Communion will continue on Sundays at 8.30am.

**GROSVENOR CHAPEL,** South Audley Street, W1: 11 Sung Euch.

**QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY,** WC2: 11 Sung Euch, Byrd three-part, The Chaplain.

**THE TEMPLE CHURCH,** Fleet Street: 8.30 HC; 11.15 HC, Collegium Regale (Howells), Kyrie Eleison, The Creed (Merbecke), The Lord is my shepherd (Schubert), Vox ultima Crucis (Walford Davies), Voluntary: Dieu parmi nous (Messiaen).

**GUARDS CHAPEL,** Wellington Barracks, SW1: 11 M, Rev J Harkness (Band of The Welsh Guards; 12 HC.

**ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL,** Greenwich, SE10: 11 Sung Euch, Cast Thy Burden (Mendelssohn), How Goodly Are Thy Tents (Ousley), The Chaplain.


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The disaster you now suffer has come on you because you burnt these sacrifices to the queen of heaven and sinned against the Lord, refusing to obey Him... Jeremiah 44 : 23

## BIRTHS

**ARKWRIGHT** - On 20th July, to Amanda and Martin, a daughter, Camilla Harriet.

**BEVEN** - On July 8th, to Elizabeth (née Katay) and Paul, a son, Matthew Geoffrey.

**BLEACKLEY** - On June 28th, to Sally (née Price) and Adrian, a daughter, Amalie, a sister for Abigail.

**BROOKS-WARD** - On July 22nd, to Catherine (née Moore) and Simon, a daughter, Isabella Howe.

**BUTLER** - On 8th July, to Beverley (née Goss) and Richard, a daughter Florence Emily, a sister for Nicholas.

**CALVERT-JONES.** Mark, Louise (née Bloomer) and Patrick are happy to announce the safe arrival of James and William on 17 July 1993 in Adelaide, Australia.

**DEAN** - On 2nd July at Queen Charlotte's, London, to Sarah and David, a first born beloved daughter, Hannah Jane Charlotte Amelia Warwick.

**EFSTATHIOS** - On July 20th at The Portland Hospital, to Marisa and Manny, a beautiful daughter, Ariana Thérèse, a sister for Michael.

**GOODMAN** - On July 21st 1993, to Juliet (née Pike) and Andrew, a beautiful daughter, Hannah Louise, a precious gift from God.

**KELLEHER** - On 21st July 1993, to Kate (née Michelmore) and John, a son, Richard John, a brother for Sarah and William.

**KINCAID** - (Franklin) to Andrew and Sally, a son, Jack Thomas Franklin, born Sunday 18th July 1993 at 7 16 pm (7lbs 14oz) at Freemasons Hospital, Melbourne, Australia.

**MILLIGAN-FERGUSSON** - To Tom and Fiona, a beautiful son, Cameron Fergus, born 15th July at the American Hospital of Paris, a brother for Thomas James.

**ROONEY** - On July 6th, to Nicola J Blair and Simon K Rooney, a son, Oliver Blair, a brother for Tomas.

**SCOPES** - On 17th July 1993, to Susanna and Graham, a son, Andrew James.

**SWIFT-KANTER** - On July 20th at The Portland Hospital, to Allison and Jeremy, a son. A grandson for Lionel and Elizabeth Swift and Harry and Shirley Kanter.

**TAYLOR** - On July 16th, to Susanna (née Hiscocks) Rupert, a son, Benjamin Arthur, a brother for Emily.

**WALPORT** - On July 22nd, to Julia (née Neild) and Mark, twin daughters, Emily Rose and Fiona Lucy, sisters for Louise and Robert.

**WILSON** - On July 12th, to Madeleine (née Cheetham) and David, a son, Philip Alexander.

## RUBY ANNIVERSARIES

**MANSELL:ROBINSON** - On 25th July 1953 at St Simon Zelotes, Cadogan Square, Bill to Jane.

## GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

**FAIRLIE-GREGORY** - On July 24th 1943, at St Mary's Episcopal Cathedral, Edinburgh, James Fairlie to Ruth Stear Gregory.

## DEATHS

**ARANDA Y CARRANZA** - On July 3rd 1993, at the University Hospital in Pamplona, Spain, at the age of 63, peacefully, after a short illness, Eduardo, Spanish Ambassador to Finland and Estonia, leaving his wife, Izabella née Godlewska, sons Eduardo and Jose Ramon and daughter Izabella, in great sadness and with loving memory. A Mass will be said at the Church of Brompton Oratory, London, on July 31st at 12 noon.

**CORBETT** - On July 21st 1993 tragically in an aeroplane accident in Florida, U.S.A., Richard Frank, aged 35, much loved husband of Rene, father of Andrew and twin brother of Hugh. The funeral will take place in Sydney, Australia. To arrange to send flowers and for other enquiries, telephone Mr & Mrs Hugh Corbett on (081) 673-0697 Letters to Mrs Richard Corbett, 24 Somerset Street, Mosman, Sydney, NSW 2088, Australia.

**DIXON** - On July 22nd 1993 suddenly after a short illness at Royal Surrey County Hospital, Pamela Gaudie Besley. Adored wife of Jack and beloved mother of Penny, Sarah and the late John. Funeral Service at Guildford Crematorium Wednesday July 28th at 3.30pm and afterwards at home. Flowers and enquiries to J. Corringe & Son, Funeral Directors, tel. (0483) 416403.

**MURRAY** - C.B.E. On July 22nd - much loved Jock - aged 83, publisher of 50 Albemarle Street W1 and Cannon Lodge, Hampstead. Diana's husband for 54 years. A very special father and grandfather. He had a wonderful life. Private funeral - Memorial Service to be announced.

**PERCEVAL** - Joan Margaret on July 22nd 1993 in hospital, Joan aged 79 years, of Condover, Shrewsbury. Beloved wife of Philip and mother of Elizabeth. Funeral Service at Shrewsbury Crematorium on Wednesday July 28th at 12 noon. No flowers. Donations if desired to The British Diabetic Association. Enquiries to the Funeral Directors, W.R.R. Pugh & Son, tel: (0743) 344646

**WAGNER** - Elizabeth Nan Russell (née Wilson), aged 74, most dearly loved wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend, died peacefully at Yeovil Hospital on 22nd July 1993. Private cremation. Thanksgiving Service 2.30pm on Friday 30th July at St Nicholas Church, Holton, near Wincanton. Family flowers only please, donations if wished to National Osteoporosis Society, Radstock, Bath.

**WILLIAMS** - On 16th July 1993, Anna (née Clayton) died, aged 65, after a long illness borne with courage. Beloved wife of Daniel and dearly loved mother, grandmother, daughter, sister and friend. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. The funeral was held at Putney Vale Cemetery on Wednesday 21st July. Enquiries to D.R. Carr Funeral Directors, SW12.

## IN MEMORIAM - WAR

**MUNN** - In memory of my husband Captain Norrie Munn, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles) died of wounds in Malta on 24th July, 1943. The light that never dimmed. Elizabeth.

## LEGAL NOTICES

No. 005170 of 1993
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
re: AMEC p.l.c.
- and -
re: THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

NOTICE is hereby given that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated 7 July 1993 confirming the cancellation of the Share Premium Account of the Company amounting to £129,021,478 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 8 July 1993.
Dated 12 July 1993
LINKLATERS & PAINES
Solicitors for the Company

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHRISTOFOROU** - Hilary. Dead. We wish she wasn't.

**LOOKING** for the young man who was in Cafe Boheme in Soho on July 6th. Please contact me, quoting the last words spoken. Please Reply to Box No 3158

**PHILANTHROPIST** And Partner wishes to participate in London/Brighton Rally as co-driver. Reply to Box No 3186

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## TRUSTEE ACTS

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to s27 of the TRUSTEE Act, 1925 that any person having a CLAIM against or an INTEREST in the ESTATE of any of the deceased person's whose names, addresses and descriptions are set out below is hereby required to send particulars in writing of his claim or interest to the person or persons mentioned in relation to the deceased person concerned before the date specified: after which date the estate of the deceased will be distributed by the personal representatives among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and interests of which they have had notice.

MANNHEIM, LANCELOT PHILIP, 2 Kenmore Close, Kew, Richmond, Surrey, died 23rd January 1993; particulars to Biddle & Co, Solicitors, 1 Gresham Street, London, EC2V 7BU, before 23rd September 1993.

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# OBITUARIES

## JOHN MURRAY

**John Murray (Arnaud Robin Grey), CBE, publisher, died on July 22 aged 83. He was born on September 22, 1909.**

JOHN MURRAY — universally known to the book world as Jock — was, in fact, John Murray VI in Britain's oldest dynastic publishing house, founded in 1768. He was not, however, in the direct male line, his mother being a sister of John Murray V, who became Sir John and who died in 1967. Jock Murray was thus not born with the Murray surname and as Arnaud Robin Grey he even briefly had the youthful idea of cutting loose from tradition and becoming an architect.

There was, though, very little chance of this ever coming to pass. A good part of his childhood was spent at the celebrated premises at No 50 Albemarle Street, London, which from 1812 to 1928 was both the principal office of the publishing house (as it still is) and the family home. Before he was ten he was beginning to absorb the idea of the business as he watched his uncle opening the morning mail — with a blunt paperknife and running commentary — over the breakfast table.

No 50 was rich in history. In Regency times the second Murray had made it a glittering *salon* where poets, philosophers and politicians gathered (Murray II was resolute as to the status of his publishing house, crisply telling his friend and author Lord Byron: "When writing to a publisher you are also addressing a gentleman"). With environment and tradition so strong it was small wonder that Jock duly changed his name and joined the firm.

He did so in 1930, after education at Eton and Magdalen College, Oxford, and at first worked both on the publishing side and as assistant editor of the *Cornhill* and *Quarterly Review* magazines, which Murray then owned. When, in 1945, after five years war service in the Royal Artillery, he returned to the firm it was to play a major role in its business, although he did not formally become its senior director until 1968.



The operation of a small family publisher is greatly different from that of a huge conglomerate group. Each successive generation must — as the Murrays conspicuously have — produce someone of real ability (J. M. Dent's house failed to do so, and died). Moreover, a family publishing house works on an unusually personal basis.

For example, when Axel Munthe visited England his striking appearance had a magnetic attraction for women and, with several of them in tow, the author of *The Story of San Michele* would arrive in Albemarle Street demanding, "Yock, Yock, you must get rid of these ladies". Yock looked after Munthe's postbag, which confronted him with problems such as these of a vicar's wife — "I can't get on with my husband in bed." Later, when John Betjeman was ill, he looked after the poet's large and often ludicrous mailbag.

Betjeman, whom he had known from Magdalen days, became a Murray author (with the *Collected Poems*, a wildly successful one) and probably Murray's closest friend. He connived shrewdly with Betjeman's accountant — who despaired of his client's hopeless generosity and big spending at the Garrick Club — to keep his friend's finances in some sort of balance.

He was also on close personal terms with many other authors, among them Osbert Lancaster, Paddy Leigh Fermor, Ruth Jhabvala, Kenneth Clark (whose *Civilisation* was a huge seller) and Freya Stark.

But when Freya Stark tried to sell him all her copyrights so that she could buy a coveted fur coat, he absolutely refused to make this — for him highly advantageous — deal: she was furious, and their tiff lasted a full fortnight. He had a remarkable gift for genuine friendship which (in his own phrase) lightened his life, and was also invaluable to his firm.

Jock Murray kept his authors, issued fine and entertaining books, and maintained Murray — comparatively small though it is — as a house by which authors were proud to be published. Nor was he locked into the firm's famous past: by the 1980s more than half of this general publisher's business was in educational and scientific titles. And he was proud of his son, John: "Like me," Jock said, "his heart is with books and authors — but he's continually adjusting the firm to the fast changing electronic book world."

His son John now becomes John Murray VII, and has his own sons to provide continuity (Jock himself regretted that this dynastic numeration now had a faintly absurd American ring to it). There never was anyone more quintessentially English.

He worked hard — as he turned into his eighties he was still doing a full two days a week — and not only at publishing. Between 1973 and 1981 he and Leslie Marchand co-edited Byron's *Complete Letters and Journals*, a major 12-volume compilation and a formidable feat of research. He was a fellow both of the Royal Society of Literature and of the Society of Antiquaries. He was appointed CBE in 1975.

As a publisher, he was greatly liked in the trade. His presence was always particularly appreciated at committee meetings when he would frequently offer an intervention, at once droll and shrewd, which set everyone laughing and gave new life and point to rather tedious proceedings.

He was also a man of great modesty — and appreciated the same virtue in others: he was once described as "the only publisher in whose company a failed author could sit at ease". Not surprisingly for a man so companionable and entertaining, he was a considerable clubman and belonged to Brooks's, Pratt's, Beefsteak and Roxburghe.

He married, in 1939, Diana Mary Ramsden James: she, and two sons and two daughters, all survive him.

## FRANCIS FORD-ROBERTSON

**Francis Calder Ford-Robertson, OBE, director of the Commonwealth Forestry Bureau, 1947-1964, died in Oxford on July 7 aged 92. He was born in Edinburgh on March 19, 1901.**



KNOWN as "Henry" since his days as a forester in India, Francis Ford-Robertson initiated the development of the Oxford system of decimal classification for forestry and developed the comprehensive modern terminology for the forestry profession. He was known for his boundless enthusiasms and cheerfulness of spirit as much as for his rigorous mind and sincerity.

Francis Calder Ford-Roberston was the youngest of three sons of a respected and innovative research doctor in Edinburgh. He studied classics at Edinburgh Academy and retained a love of Greek and Latin all his life; later he spoke Urdu and Hindi fluently.

It was his childhood experiences that gave him his love for the outdoors. Holidays were spent in a cottage in Northumberland where the family created out of bare ground a rockery, tennis court and swimming pool. Ford-Robertson later said that it was then he learnt how to live in places where, if you did not do it yourself, it was not done. He was also an excellent shot: something which was to serve him well in India where he had to put down dangerous animals in self-defence, though in later life he was against shooting for sport.

Ford-Robertson studied forestry at Edinburgh University and in 1923 joined the Indian Forestry Service. He worked in the United Provinces (now Uttar Pradesh) until 1947. It was in 1934 that he wrote and published his one book, *Our Forests*, sadly now out of print.

His descriptions of the work of a forestry officer show that this was not some separated activity, but deeply woven into the fabric of the United Provinces' life. The forestry officer had to know about trees and everything affecting their life and growth. But he also had to understand the needs of those who required land for grazing and to come to terms with the wilful destructiveness of those who cut down the very trees which protected their hillsides from erosion and stopped the rivers from becoming rushing destructive torrents in the monsoon season.

The forestry officer also needed to know how to tap resin (one of his own specialities), what mesh of wire stops porcupines and which tree, useless for building, might be ideal for matchsticks and the making of a new industry.

His approach and style can be encapsulated — for the layman — in a piece he wrote which began: "Man, the great destroyer of forests, is coming by hard experience to value them for much more than their solid produce. The 'hewer of wood and drawer of water' has in most countries overhewn his wood and then found he has overdrawn, or at least dissipated, his water as well."

On his return to England in 1947 Ford-Robertson became director of the Imperial (later the Commonwealth) Forestry Bureau where, with a team of scientific Forestry Bureau assistants, he produced *Forestry Abstracts*, summarising and where necessary translating the rapidly growing international periodical literature on forestry. The task required tact, drive and authority.

He received an honorary MA from Oxford University in 1954 and then in 1959 he was appointed OBE, as his two brothers were — a remarkable family record.

In 1964 he became director-editor of the Multilingual Terminology of Forest Science, Technology, Practice and Products. He was the architect who laid the groundwork by developing both the minutiae of presentation and the working procedures. The Terminology defines over 5,000 terms, each one agreed first with the other 40 Commonwealth countries and then with experts from the United States.

Any term could take up to three years to be agreed, crossing his own desk several times. The Terminology has been translated into French, Spanish, Italian and Chinese with a German version now on preparation. Ford-Robertson did not retire until formal publication of the Terminology in 1971.

His retirement was long and active. He was 82 when he and his wife travelled to China on the Trans-Siberian Railway. (On that trip he had to tell a doctor that he had no idea whether he was allergic to penicillin since he had not been ill since it came into use in 1941). At home he continued to ride a bicycle round Oxford, to sing in the Oxford Bach Choir, and to help much younger neighbours with the hard physical work of straightening their wayward suburban trees.

He married in 1928 Cynthia Mary Ireland and had two sons. After her death in 1977, he married her widowed sister, Nora Aline Chapman.

She and his two sons survive him.

## STACY COLMAN

**Stacy Colman, assistant master at Shrewsbury School and headmaster of Melbourne Grammar School, 1937-38, died at Shrewsbury on July 18 aged 87. He was born at Broughty Ferry, Angus, on May 1, 1906.**

SHREWSBURY School, and the practice of an ethical Christian life, have each lost an outstanding devotee in Stacy Colman. He himself would most likely have made other claims: his avowed inspirations were the sport, and skills, of rowing, and the teaching of Greek and Latin. But his career, and the witness of the very many who knew him during a long life, will readily distinguish his enthusiasms from his driving forces.

His father hailed from a Norfolk family but had become a GP near Dundee (Stacy Colman's mother was a Mackie); a love of his native land remained fixed throughout his life.

David Stacy Colman was sent to school at Shrewsbury, and duly won a classical scholarship to Balliol College, Oxford. With a First in both *Mods and Greats*, and having rowed in Balliol crews, he returned to Shrewsbury in 1928, as a master on the classical side. Teaching Latin and Greek, coaching on the River Severn, and the diverse life of a public schoolmaster were to occupy most of his next forty years.

There were, though, two breaks in the rhythm of his Shrewsbury existence. First, in 1931 he became a fellow of The Queen's College, Oxford, appointed to teach Ancient History. Yet, as he later admitted, he was not greatly interested in his official subject, preferring the languages and literature of antiquity — and coaching the oarsmen of St Edmund Hall (then still in a symbiotic relationship with Queen's).

At the end of 1934, having married Sallie Edwards — who had just graduated from St Hugh's, and who matched Stacy in fastidiousness, kindness and love of cats — he became again a classics master at Shrewsbury.

But then, in 1937, Colman was chosen to be headmaster of Melbourne Grammar School, one of the largest and greatest of the old-war educational foundations in Australia. Colman, however, was essentially a scholar and teacher: coping with the parents and staff, and hundreds of boys (mostly non-boarding) — and the fairly formal society of Melbourne — led to his health giving way, and he and Sallie returned to England — and to Shrewsbury. That town, and its school, became his home and his life from late 1938 to 1966, when he retired.

Colman was a meticulous classicist of the old school, yet he encouraged his pupils to read outside the syllabus, he paralleled the study of Greek history with that of the Middle East, and took his classical sixth forms to the Greek plays at Bradfield and Cambridge. By insisting on the value of daily repetition, he ensured that his pupils had a substantial repertoire of the classics (one form learnt by heart an entire Olynthiac of Demosthenes), a valuable aid when they came to take scholarship examinations at Oxford or Cambridge.

Colman's own monograph, *Sabrinae Corolla* (1950), was an authoritative study, often cited, of the teaching of classics at Shrewsbury in the 19th century; and until late in life he himself remained a fluent and elegant composer of Latin and Greek verse. But he shone, above all, as a teacher.

In addition to being head of classics at Shrewsbury, and for several years master in charge of rowing and chief coach of the First Eight, Colman became in 1949, housemaster of Day Boys, and in the next 12 years, with Sallie's support, amazingly improved the standing and achievements of that house. From 1961 he took on for some years the librarianship of Shrewsbury School, which has a notable assemblage of medieval and Renaissance manuscripts, printed books and bindings.



Stacy Colman with the classical sixth form at Shrewsbury in 1953

Colman was a lay reader (and an occasional eloquent preacher) at St Mary's, Shrewsbury, and a regular churchgoer as long as his physical mobility permitted. Though little better off than the average pensioned schoolmaster, he subscribed to countless charitable causes, for years paid for an adopted refugee boy in Southeast Asia (through International Christian Relief), gave his considerable classical library to a Roman Catholic college in Kenya, was constantly hospitable in his home and at his traditionally well-ordered table, and spent very little money on himself. His holidays were taken at Henley Regatta, which he had scarcely missed from 1924 until three weeks ago, and if possible on a trip to Scotland.

He and his wife, Sallie, who died in 1970, had no children.

## FRED WEICK

**Fred E. Weick, pioneering American aircraft designer, died in Vero Beach, Florida, on July 8 aged 93. He was born in Berwyn, Illinois.**

THERE was a time when all aircraft had tailwheels. Fred Weick changed all that. By moving the main wheels further aft to alter the point of balance, and adding a single wheel in the nose, he created the tricycle undercarriage which has now become standard on all passenger aircraft except the very smallest.

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"Weick's genius touched virtually every aeronautical discipline for half-a-century," said a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Fred Weick saw his first aircraft passing overhead at the age of ten and his future career was decided from that moment. He soon began making model boats and planes, and even a full-sized car before going off to the University of Illinois at 17.

Although he concentrated on light aircraft, many of his ideas — aimed at making planes more aerodynamically efficient, safer and easier to fly — soon found applications on larger machines. In addition to the tricycle undercarriage, he developed curved cowlings around radial engines to reduce drag and improve cooling. These not only gave higher speeds and cheaper operations for commercial airliners, but were applied to the American bombers and fighter planes of the second world war.

Among the classic designs that came from Weick's drawing board were the Piper Pawnee and Cherokee, and the remarkable Ercoupe — the first aircraft certified to be incapable of getting into a spin. This was achieved by combining the operation of the rudders and ailerons on the little twin-tailed two-seater into a single control column, eliminating the rudder pedals. The idea worked, though it was never copied, and many examples of the Ercoupe are still flying after more than 40 years.

A tall, gawky man, Weick was fond of explaining the principles of flight by extending his long arms as wings and pretending that his swivel chair was the fuselage. "The effect," said *Fortune Magazine* in 1946, "is at first alarming, especially in banks and turns." Widowed in 1991 after a marriage lasting 66 years, Fred Weick is survived by two sons and one daughter.


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*THE BAYREUTH FESTIVAL.*
(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
BAYREUTH, JULY 21.

The revival of the *Nibelungen* trilogy at the Wagner Theatre after an interval of 20 years cannot but suggest comparisons between the conditions under which the work was produced in 1876 and the circumstances attending the performances now in progress. Then, a mere handful of enthusiasts leavened the audiences of the three cycles, which consisted for the most part of persons drawn by curiosity or definitely unfriendly feelings to the quaint Bavarian town. Probably the majority of those who came were of opinion that *Der Ring des Nibelungen* was the achievement of a fanatic whose delusions, unfortunately for mankind, were encouraged by a Monarch as mad as himself. The work of Wagner has now had time to make itself understood, and to-day the position, not only of the trilogy, but of his creations as a whole, is higher than it has ever been . . .

It is wholly satisfactory to notice that, in dealing with the difficult question of reproducing or not reproducing the exact scenic arrangements of the trilogy, Frau Wagner has felt at liberty to modify and improve the exceedingly detailed plans which her husband devised and which, after transmission from one stage to another all the world over, have become so familiar to all lovers of the musical drama that they have become a little tiresome. If the old arrangements had been kept in every minute particular at Bayreuth they would undoubtedly have become irrevocably fixed and conventionalized. The new scenery of the preludial *Rheingold* and of the first drama, *Die Walkure*, is of very great beauty, and no doubt that of the succeeding days will not be in any way behind it. The opening scene of the *Rheingold* was a welcome surprise and in nearly all ways a complete success. Instead of the former obscurity in which the three nymphs disported themselves, supported from below, the singers are now suspended from above . . .

If the general impression created by *Die Walkure*, given on Monday, was less striking than that of the opening performance, it must be remembered that this, the most popular drama of the trilogy, has been so often given that comparisons are almost inevitable between the Bayreuth singers and those who have appeared with success in the different versions submitted to the public in various countries . . .

Whether Frau Lehmann had not recovered from a recent illness, or whether she was unaccustomed to singing the part of *Brünnhilde* in an uncurtailed version, cannot be certainly stated; but there can be no doubt that, as far as the first drama of the three is concerned, her performance of the principal character left much to be desired. Her singing of the Walkure cry was very brilliant, and her vocal powers are undiminished, but the text was very often imperfectly given, and the many fine opportunities for acting were almost passed over. Unconvincing and incomplete the reading must be pronounced, so far as can be judged from the earlier, but yet the most grateful, part of Brünnhilde's role . . .

## NEWS

### Major licks wounds after win

■ John Major and his cabinet tried to draw a line under the Conservative party's divisions over Europe after comfortably winning a confidence motion and clearing the way for ratification of the Maastricht treaty.

The backbench Conservative rebellion collapsed under the *threat of a general election* ..... **Pages 1, 9,12, 13, 17**

■ Tory MPs loyal to the prime minister say that he would gradually reassert his dominance over his party. But others say *his authority has taken a massive blow* ..... **Page 2**

■ Three cabinet heavyweights were behind the decision that John Major should face down his defeat with an immediate *confidence motion* ..... **Page 3**

### Poverty goes South

Rising unemployment in London and Kent during the recession has meant that areas such as the East Thames Corridor and Dover have replaced Bradford and Darlington *as candidates for part of* the government's £300 million assisted area scheme..... **Pages 1, 5**

### Museum theft

Thieves have stolen unique Roman artefacts from the British Museum in a night-time raid which foiled guards and sophisticated surveillance equipment..... **Page 1**

### Italian suicide

The epidemic of suicides among suspects in the Italian corruption scandal has claimed Raul Gardini, head of the second-largest private industrial concern in the country ..... **Pages 1, 9**

### Blandford court move

The trustees of the Duke of Malborough's estate have begun legal proceedings to strip the Marquess of Blandford of his inheritance..... **Page 5**

### Home 'like prison'

Care workers at the Aycliffe centre for disturbed youngsters in co. Durham flouted the law and ignored rules by running a prison-style regime, government inspectors disclosed ..... **Page 6**

### Kuwait hostage hope

A former foreign minister of Kuwait said that his country was ready for talks with Baghdad government over the release of hostages. But there would be no exchange of prisoners with Iraq, he said ..... **Page 10**

### US death enquiry

Authorities in Washington are seeking to establish that Vincent Foster, the White House aide and childhood friend of President Clinton, was not murdered and was not driven to kill himself by blackmail..... **Page 11**

### Talks on the brink

The Geneva talks on Bosnia-Herzegovina were on the verge of collapse after Radovan Karadzic suggested a postponment until mid-autumn ..... **Page 10**

### Sex and the single-minded gorilla

■ A female gorilla who has lost interest in her mate will be the subject of the first European attempt to produce gorilla offspring by artificial insemination. "Female gorillas are more fussy than humans when it comes to choosing a mate," a Chessington World of Adventure spokesman said..... **Page 5**

HUGH ROUTLEDGE




Pit stop: Sir Jack Brabham, former world champion racing driver, in the C type Jaguar which won at Le Mans in 1953, chatting to Oliver Bryant in a scale model Ferraro 500 F2, as they prepare for this weekend's classic car festival at Silverstone

### BUSINESS

**ERM stumbles:** The French franc remained pinned on the floor and required more heavy intervention from the Bundesbank and the Bank of France..... **Page 17**

**Coal pensions:** British Coal cannot use its share of a £1 billion pension surplus to pay pensions for redundant employees ..... **Page 18**

**Recovery:** Economic recovery gathered pace during the second quarter, suggesting that the government's modest growth forecast will be beaten. John Major now expects growth this year of between 1.5 and 1.7 per cent..... **Page 18**

**Markets:** The FT-SE 100 closed up 7.6 at 2827.7 after the government won the confidence vote. But the pound fell from 82.2 to 81.7 as measured by the trade weighted index reflecting a fall from $1.5117 to $1.4972 and from DM2.5846 to DM2.5762..... **Page 18**

### SPORT

**Cricket:** England's hopes of winning the Ashes were dashed after a partnership of 292 between Allan Border, the Australian captain, and Steve Waugh took their total to 613 for four..... **Pages 1, 32**

**Motor racing:** "Before he was confined to a wheelchair he had a lean and hungry look that could have marked him out as an acolyte of the Krays" — Oliver Holt assesses the career of racing chief Frank Williams ..... **Page 30**

**Cycling:** Britain's Chris Boardman broke the world one-hour record in Bordeaux and then announced he may turn professional. He became the first man to go through the 52-km barrier, beating the mark set last week by Scotland's Graeme Obree..... **Pages 28, 32**

**Football:** Rob Hughes looks at England's chances in tomorrow's final of the European under-18 championship against Turkey at the City Ground, Nottingham ..... **Page 31**

### FEATURES

**Bottom lines:** *Times* readers have elevated the unsung farming chore of dagging sheep's bottoms to high art. Paul Heiney awards the prizes..... **Page 1**

**Let the butler take the strain:** You don't have to be a millionaire to enjoy the Caribbean, says Brigid Callaghan — just rent their villas..... **Page 2**

**Eat out for charity:** In October restaurants across Britain will throw open *their doors to raise money for* charity..... **Page 4**

**View from the zoo:** Keep budding artists amused in the holidays by getting them to draw a London Zoo picture — and they could win a prize ..... **Page 7**

**Have pony, will play:** John Watson gives the lowdown on the glamour, skills, discipline, and daunting costs of becoming a part of the chukka set ..... **Page 11**

**Art in the round:** In the middle of a *Neasden roundabout, the London* borough of Brent has opened a museum devoted to ordinary objects in ordinary homes. "Brent People" is a miniature version of the successful Glasgow People's Palace..... **Weekend, page 14**

**Old times, good times:** Rediscovered at the age of 70, Charles Brown — the great rhythm and blues king of the Fifties and veteran of the Hollywood club circuit — is back in Britain for a week in residence at Ronnie Scott's in Birmingham..... **Weekend, page 14**

**Grimes rediscovered:** A stunning new recording of Britten's greatest opera, *Peter Grimes*, has been released with Bernard Haitink conducting the Covent Garden orchestra at the peak of its form, and outstanding performances frm Anthony Rolfe Johnson as Grimes and Felicity Lott as Ellen Orford..... **Weekend, page 14**

A 15-year-old mother with a feckless boyfriend and nowhere to live tells her story in *Teenage Diaries* (BBC2, 9.55pm)..... **Page 16**

### Out of the House

Can a prime minister, whose authority has been brought so low, ever rise again to command the respect necessary to lead? **Page 13**

### End of an era

The party which has formed the core of Italy's eternally shifting, but never really changing, ruling coalitions *for nearly half a century has* reached the end of an era . **Page 13**

### Pride of Neasden

*By harnessing this contemporary* interest in the everyday lives of ordinary people, Brent is riding the museum wave of the age .. **Page 13**

### ALEXANDER CHANCELLOR

The *US Justice Department is in*vestigating Vincent Foster's death. Without any obvious statutory authority, it has said it will carry on *until it finds a reason why he chose* to kill himself ..... **Page 12**

### SIMON JENKINS

It is conceivable that the Commons might begin to behave.. as a responsible constraint on the executive. But for that to happen, it will need to enter the 20th century..... **Page 12**

Correspondents sing the praises of girl choristers ..... **Page 13**

Mr Christopher might better have saved policy debate for another day. Instead he might have reminded Serbs and Croats that they are storing up a historical memory of themselves as violators of common decency

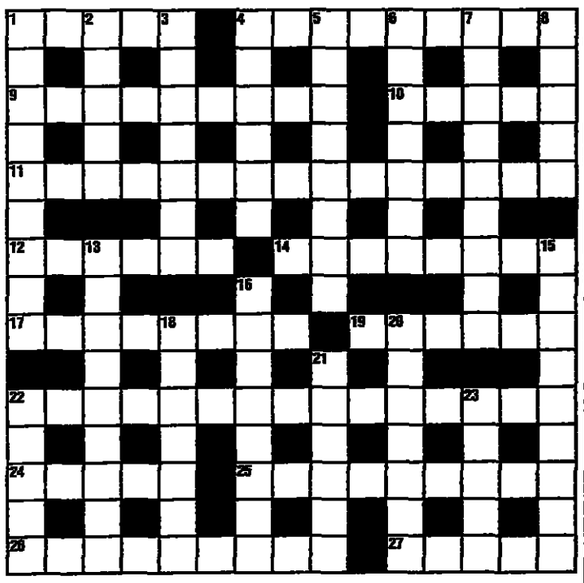
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## THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,291

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ACROSS

1 Footwear that's wrecked, not aged (5)
4 Equipment rigged up as a trap (9)
9 Keep in touch with character in soap opera (9)
10 Companion for a sandwich *course, some say* (5)
11 Beethoven work among pieces in prom — or encore etc. (7,8)
12 Declining to rebuild Big Ben (6)
14 A container like this gets assembled in plant (8)
17 Support Liberal policy finally, as introducer of item two (8)
19 A form of gambling (6)
22 Creation of favourable image about Left in what we read (6,9)
24 *The Duchess of Malfi*, for example (5)
25 It combines calm start with finish in tumultuous score (9)
26 Drug taken before sport can produce rowdy behaviour (9)
27 Failure, we hear, in Northern people — or parts of race (5)

DOWN

1 Lunatic in the faculty? Not so (9)
2 Low character makes bishop halt (5)
3 Article about East published in foreign capital (7)
4 A fare on bus, for example (6)
5 Of necessity, noble half-heartedly leads army (8)
6 *River one crosses by burning* boats (7)
7 Job for academic, distributing this port round university (9)
8 Authority, for example, to broadcast in sound only (3-2)
13 Person who slanders scandalous knight? Right (9)
15 Female writer's needing shade below this rock (9)
16 Special call needed for chap to enter this sort of work (8)
18 Simplicity of style obvious in Madonna I've tested (7)
20 Concerned with light output from working coal pit (7)
21 Not on the alert, general is captured by agent (6)
22 Lofted shot caught in sort of helmet (5)
23 Confess *nothing* when he's left before magistrate (3,2)

*Solution to Puzzle No 19,285*

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### WEATHER

Yesterday: *Temp: max 8am to 6pm, 24C* (75F); min 6pm to 6am, 15C (59F). Humidity at 6pm, 78 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.06in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 4.5hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,019.4 millibars, falling. 1,000 millibars=29.53in.

### HIGHEST & LOWEST

Yesterday: highest day max 6am to 6pm: Manston, Kent, 26C (79F); lowest day max: Lerwick, Shetland, 12C (54F); highest rainfall: Benbecula, Outer Hebrides, 0.84in; highest sunshine: Herne Bay, Kent, 11.2hrs.

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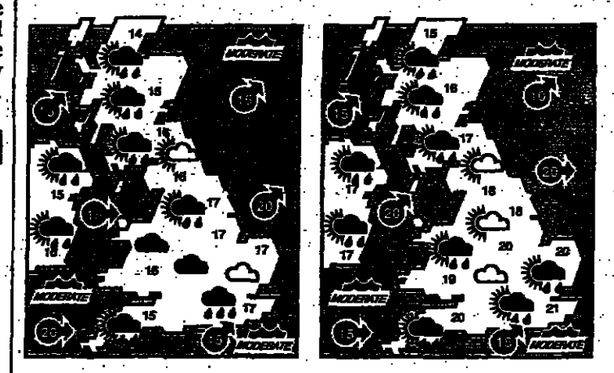
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Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 20C (68F); min 6pm to 6am, 14C (57F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.22in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.8hr.

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Scotland and Northern Ireland can expect *sunny* intervals and frequent showers, some heavy. The best of any brightness will be in sheltered parts of eastern Scotland. Wales and northern and western parts of England will brighten up with some sunshine and showers. The southeastern corner of England will have a few bright intervals but will stay mostly cloudy with rain in places. Outlook: remaining unsettled with scattered showers.







MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

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| Aberdeen | 2.5 | - | 16 | 61 | bright |
| Anglesey | 1.8 | 0.02 | 16 | 61 | drizzle |
| Aviemore | 2.2 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Belfast | 0.2 | 0.01 | 18 | 64 | drizzle |
| Birmingham | 8.8 | - | 21 | 70 | sunny |
| Bognor Regis | 10.4 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Bournemouth | 11.7 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Bristol | 7.4 | - | 21 | 70 | sunny |
| Buxton | 6.8 | - | 19 | 66 | bright |
| Cardiff | 7.6 | - | 20 | 68 | sunny |
| Clacton | 9.2 | - | 20 | 68 | sunny |
| Colwyn Bay | 0.9 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Eastbourne | 11.0 | - | 19 | 66 | sunny |
| Edinburgh | 3.0 | - | 19 | 66 | bright |
| Eskdalemuir | 2.3 | - | 16 | 61 | cloudy |
| Exmouth | 4.9 | - | 18 | 64 | cloudy |
| Falmouth | 1.3 | 0.01 | 20 | 68 | drizzle |
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| Glasgow | 4.6 | - | 19 | 66 | bright |
| Hastings | 11.3 | - | 18 | 64 | sunny |
| Hunstanton | 8.4 | - | 21 | 70 | sunny |
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| Leeds | 4.1 | - | 20 | 68 | bright |
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These are Thursday's figures

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*Manchester 9.46 pm to 4.42 am*
*Penzance 9.47 pm to 5.10 am*

TODAY

Sun rises: 5.13 am — Sun sets: 9.01 pm
Moon rises 11.59 am — Moon sets 10.49 pm
First quarter July 25

*London 9.23 pm to 4.44 am*
*Bristol 9.39 pm to 4.54 am*
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*Penzance 9.45 pm to 5.11 am*

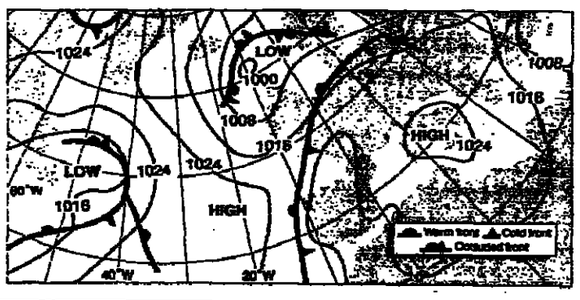
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Sun rises: 5.14 am — Sun sets: 8.54 pm
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First quarter tomorrow

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| Austria Sch | 19.10 | 17.80 |
| Belgium Fr | 56.10 | 51.70 |
| Canada $ | 2.04 | 1.88 |
| Denmark Kr | 10.55 | 9.75 |
| Finland Mkk | 9.35 | 8.55 |
| France Fr | 9.28 | 8.53 |
| Germany Dm | 2.71 | 2.51 |
| Greece Dr | 387.00 | 342.00 |
| Hong Kong $ | 12.27 | 11.27 |
| Ireland Pt | 1.115 | 1.035 |
| Italy Lira | 2500.00 | 2305.00 |
| Japan Yen | 177.00 | 159.00 |
| Netherlands Gld | 3.065 | 2.825 |
| Norway Kr | 11.57 | 10.77 |
| Portugal Esc | 267.00 | 247.70 |
| South Africa Rd | 5.80 | 4.90 |
| Spain Pta | 210.75 | 197.75 |
| Sweden Kr | 12.67 | 11.87 |
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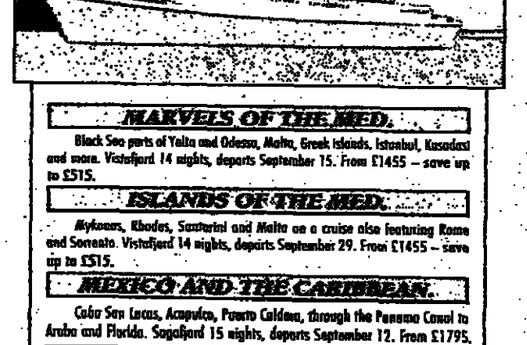

SATURDAY
Scotland low to moderate; N Ireland low to moderate; Wales low to moderate; South West low; North moderate; East Anglia low to moderate; Midlands low to moderate; South East low; London low.

SUNDAY
Scotland low to moderate; N Ireland low to moderate; Wales low to moderate; South West low to moderate; North low to moderate; East Anglia low; Midlands moderate; South East moderate; London low to moderate.

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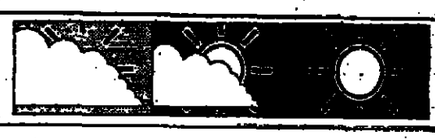
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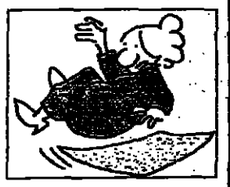
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| | |
|---|---|
| US $ | 1.4972 (-0.0145) |
| German mark | 2.5762 (-0.0084) |
| Exchange Index | 81.7 (-0.5) |
| Bank of England official close (4pm) | |

**STOCK MARKET**

| | |
|---|---|
| FT-SE 100 | 2827.7 (+7.6) |
| Dow Jones | 3532.77 (+7.55)* |
| Nikkei Avg | 19734.57 (-381.24) |

**INTEREST RATES**

| | |
|---|---|
| London Bank Base | 6% |
| 3-month Interbank | 6⅛-5⅝% |
| US Federal Funds | 2¾%* |
| 3-month Treas Bills | 3.09-3.07%* |
| Long Bond | 6.69%* |

**CURRENCIES**

| New York: | London: |
|---|---|
| £:$ 1.4967* | £:$ 1.4930 |
| $:DM 1.7187* | £:DM 2.5768 |
| $:SWfr 1.5186* | £:SWfr 2.2715 |
| $:Fr 5.8730* | £:Fr 8.8030 |
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London Forex market close

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London Fixing ($):
AM 392.60 PM 391.30
Close 390.20-390.60
New York:
Comex 390.15-390.65*

**RETAIL PRICES**

RPI 141.9 June (1.2%)

* Denotes midday trading price

JULIAN HERBERT



Sterling flagging: currency dealers monitoring events at NatWest Markets' treasury dealing room in the City of London yesterday

## Major's victory fails to lift pound

By Our Economics Correspondent

STERLING failed to recover its poise, despite John Major's vote of confidence victory in the Commons yesterday, as the foreign exchange market braced itself for more political uncertainty next week, which sees the Christchurch by-election.

It closed at 81.7 on its trade weighted index, a touch below its opening of 81.8 and weaker than the close of 82.2 on Thursday, when the government incurred its historic defeat in parliament. The pound lost nearly a pfennig against the mark to end at DM2.5762 and slipped a cent and a half against the dollar, which closed at $1.4972 to the pound.

Although government bonds and the equity market regained their composure after yesterday's vote, the pound remained on the defensive. Ian Harnett, chief economist at Strauss Turnbull, said: "Mr Major may be able to do deals with the Ulster electorates but not with the voters of Christchurch. Defeat next week will be a far more telling blow for the government and the markets are still unsettled by political worries."

These concerns were more important on the day than news of a 0.5 per cent rise in gross domestic product in the second quarter, the fourth consecutive quarter of growth. Nevertheless, most dealers believe that the pound will soon recover from the current uncertainty.

Gilt-edged prices closed slightly lower than Thursday's levels but buying was emerging in late trading after the results of yesterday's vote. Shares ended on a firm note with the FT-SE 100, closing 7.6 points up at 2,827.7.

# Franc reprieved by 'wall of money'

By Janet Bush, Economics Correspondent

THE battered exchange-rate mechanism stumbled through another trading day that saw the French franc pinned down near to its floor and more heavy intervention in its support from the Bundesbank and the Bank of France.

One currency dealer talked about a "rock solid wall of intervention — quite amazing — a total wall of gunfire" from the central banks. Estimates in the market suggest that central banks bought more than Fr20 billion on Thursday alone and something near that figure yesterday.

But despite this determined onslaught on the speculators, the market remained awash with rumours that the French are preparing to pull the franc out of the exchange-rate mechanism. One European bank dealer said: "People who normally have their heads screwed on and don't peddle silly rumours are talking seriously about it."

Edouard Balladur, the French prime minister, said emphatically there would be no devaluation of the franc and officials in Bonn denied market rumours that the EC's monetary committee, which decides on realignments, would meet this weekend. Edmond Alphandery, the economics minister, said that speculators would be beaten back successfully without France raising its official interest rates.

However, a measure of how serious the stand-off is between France and Germany, the key players in the current turmoil, came in comments yesterday from Reimut Jochimsen, a member of the Bundesbank's policy-making council. He said that official rate cuts were "not immediately on the agenda" and that July inflation was likely to be the same as June, at 4.2 per cent, more than double the central bank's desired level.

This had far more effect on market psychology than the joint statement yesterday from France and Germany that they remain committed to the current mark/franc parity and ERM co-operation. After a modest recovery overnight in New York and Tokyo — helped by Bundesbank buy orders — the franc tumbled again after Herr Jochimsen's comments. It closed a little higher at Fr3.4260 to the mark compared with Thursday's close at Fr3.4290.

John Hall, of Swiss Bank, said: "It's clear there is a threat to the system unlike anything we have seen in the past but we still believe, in the end, the Bundesbank will do enough."

He believes the fact that the Bank of France has made its own contribution to defending its currency in the form of higher rates may be what the Bundesbank needs to justify rate cuts next week.



Alphandery: confident

The Bank of France's decision to raise the interest rate on 24-hour funds to 10 per cent from 7.75 per cent yesterday had little lasting benefit. The franc spent most of the day at the critical Fr3.4180 to the mark, which central banks have aggressively defended.

The next hurdle for the market comes on Monday when the first of four regional German inflation reports is due from North Rhine Westphalia. The annual rate for the region was 4.2 per cent in June and the markets are likely to react badly to any July figure either unchanged or higher. Such a figure would make it even more difficult for the Bundesbank to cut official rates on domestic grounds, adding to acute concern about the latest M3 money supply figures which shows annual growth of 7.1 per cent.

However, Germany is politically committed to the ERM and the franc and the Bundesbank, in the end, is unlikely to sacrifice the system on the altar of its anti-inflationary credibility.

Despite Mr Jochimsen's remarks yesterday, the council could still decide to lower rates next week. A far less homogenous view has emerged recently in the comments of Bundesbank council members and other voices on the council may argue differently.

The pressure on the ERM remained widespread yesterday. The Danish krone was still extremely fragile, replacing the franc at the bottom of the mechanism. Even the Belgian franc had to be defended yesterday with higher interest rates. The Belgian central bank raised its central rate to 7.15 per cent, from 6.7 per cent, and increased a range of other rates too. The escudo and the peseta also traded near to Thursday's lows.

The emergence of pressure on the Belgian franc is evidence of serious and dangerous speculation, not against any particular currency on economic grounds, but against the whole system.

# No crisis of confidence in the City's trading rooms

By Jon Ashworth

FOR the City's ice-cool foreign exchange dealers, it was just like any other Friday afternoon. As Westminster hung on a knife's edge over the no-confidence vote, the money men and women carried on doing what they do best — shifting millions of pounds around the globe.

Across the Square Mile, dealing rooms were abuzz. Elderly men waved papers and hurled insults. Stern-faced women barked commands. But the hubbub from the House, restricted to a handful of television sets, caused little more than a flicker of interest among the hardened professionals at their desks. While Westminster raged, there was business to be done with Tokyo, New York and Paris.

At Midland Global Markets, overlooking the Thames at Southwark Bridge, the atmosphere was more that of a lazy summer's picnic than a nail-biting financial showdown. Here, in Europe's biggest integrated dealing room, the 450 dealers had already endured enough excitement for one week. Thursday's waves of currency selling had kept them glued to their screens, juggling francs, kroner, escudos and pesetas in a frantic merry-go-round. As Friday dawned, an uneasy calm had fallen, with dealers harking back to the currency chaos of last September when Britain left the ERM.

"We've seen enormous volumes this week; one of the busiest days in years," said Mark Austin, Midland's chief treasury economist.

"Now it's a question of waiting for the Bundesbank's expected rate cut next Thursday. Any cut is almost certain to be disappointing, so we can expect a busy day on Friday," he added.

Peter Lewis, head of UK corporate and regional sales, said unease over the fragility of the ERM had encouraged institutions to pile in. "We've seen some large lines coming in as many of the big European names become nervous," he said.

Rob Loewy, head of foreign exchange trading and sales, rallied his troops. Green lights flashed on switchboards. Two dealers were glued to a lone television screen. They were watching cricket.

On the far side of the City, at 135 Bishopsgate, dealers in NatWest Markets' treasury dealing room were in laconic mood. Flags of every nation — Britain, Japan, America and Germany — studded desk tops around the bull-ring, as the arena-like dealing room is known. Monitors glowed blue, green, yellow and red. Telephone touch-dial screens gave instant access to Madrid and Paris, Japan and Brazil.

As 4pm and the voting in Westminster drew nearer, the experts remained calm. "Everyone assumes the government wouldn't have called the vote if they thought they could lose," said Robert Thomas, economist at NatWest Markets. "But the credibility of the prime minister must have taken a hammering."

The House of Commons flashed live onto television screens and dealers gathered round to watch. Muted cheers flew as the first vote was carried. A ripple ran through the pound. The minutes to the second vote ticked by. Dealers leaned on their monitors. Carried. They shuffled back to their desks. It was nearly time to go home.

# Salomon poker school back in business

From Philip Robinson
in New York

SOME of the boys who regularly got together in the eighties for a friendly game of poker at $1 million a hand in the sumptuous, Wall Street panelled offices of Salomon Brothers, are re-grouping.

The latest recruit is Lawrence Hilibrand, the 35-year-old mathematics whizz who once bet billions on fractional differences between bond prices, their futures and options.

Mr Hilibrand's sharp eye made Salomon a fortune in the decade of excess when, under the now deposed Salomon chairman, John Gutfreund, Salomon rejoiced in an arrogance that others on Wall Street considered unparalleled.

His sharp eye also earned Mr Hilibrand a dollar or two. In 1990, his pay was $23 million. Those days are, however, long gone and when he walked into the offices of Deryck Maughan, Salomon's chairman, on Wednesday afternoon, 24 hours before the bank was due to put out its dazzling second-quarter earnings report, he gave no reason for departing, but said that the decision was not negotiable.

Mr Hilibrand heads Salomon's 20-strong US bond-arbitrage operation, which has played a major role in helping the world-wide business contribute roughly 87 per cent of Salomon's pre-tax profit since 1990.

Mr Hilibrand follows the great traditions of Salomon under Gutfreund and never gives interviews. It is understood that he even had the press department destroy his picture to stop anyone publishing it.

However, Mr Hilibrand — Larry to his friends — is off to join his former Salomon bond trading colleagues John Meriwether, Eric Rosenfeld, Victor Haghani and Gregory Hawkins in launching their own bond-trading business. Mr Hawkins left just a few days before Mr Hilibrand announced his resignation.

Mr Meriwether was in charge of all bond trading for Salomon until his resignation in 1991 in the wake of the Treasury Bond scandal that cost the firm $290 million in fines. Mr Meriwether was fined a personal $50,000 by the Securities and Exchange Commission for failing adequately to supervise a figure in the trading scandal who awaits trial.

Mr Meriwether pioneered the use of advanced mathematics to exploit technical and tiny differences in bond prices. His group would put billion of dollars into trades not meant to pay for two years.

In 1990, the group was reported to have made a $400 million profit, of which $60 million was divided among the group's dozen traders. Mr Meriwether features strongly in the best-seller *Liar's Poker*, in which Michael Lewis describes life at Salomon Brothers in the eighties. He says that Mr Meriwether was king of the $1 million poker game and at one point suggested that the stakes be raised to $10 million.

Salomon's second-quarter profits — a record at $783 million — helped to offset a poor first quarter. Overall, half-year pre-tax profits fell 17 per cent to $694 million.


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# EBRD head urges Britain to seize eastern opportunities


Freeman: London good for bank

BY COLIN NARBROUGH
WORLD TRADE CORRESPONDENT

LONDON is a good home for the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), but British investors have sponsored disappointingly few EBRD projects to date, according to Ronald Freeman, the bank's acting head since the departure of Jacques Attali, its first president, a week ago.

With its muscular, globally oriented financial services sector, Mr Freeman considers Britain well placed to become a more active player in eastern and central Europe.

Emerging from the storm of criticism about lavish spending on the bank's City headquarters, executive jets and staff, Mr Freeman, deputy to M Attali until the former president's resignation, is keen to focus more investment on banking and local financial institutions in its target economies.

Mr Freeman is particularly keen for local people in eastern and central Europe to take on the running of the emerging financial sector, seen as crucial to the development of a market economy. The EBRD had found good local bankers across the region from Uzbekistan to the Czech Republic, Mr Freeman said. "They know how to press a penny very tight," he said.

Only 20 of the 99 EBRD projects approved by the end of June are in financial institutions. Mr Freeman said that his aim was to boost investment in private sector financial institutions to about a third of the total.

The unflamboyant American told *The Times* that he was convinced that the emerging economies of the former Soviet bloc offer European and American investors a "window of opportunity" to enter huge markets in which, as yet, they face no Japanese competition.

EBRD figures show that British investors have sponsored only 17 projects since the bank was set up in 1991, against Italy's 27 and France's 29. For all the bank's European focus, it is America that has backed the most EBRD projects.

After the torrent of criticism about spending on the EBRD headquarters, some of the bank's backers have advocated devolution, with more emphasis on "front-line" activities and presence in target countries.

New York-born Mr Freeman, aged 54, who came to the bank from Salomon Brothers, the Wall Street investment bank, finds Europe small enough for it to make no real difference in which city the bank is situated. "But London is one of the great financial centres and you can reach bankers at any time of the day or night," he said.

Although pleased to have secured the involvement of British companies, such as Barclays Bank, in EBRD investment projects, Mr Freeman sees scope for much more British input. "We just don't have enough British investors," he said.

In the hiatus between M Attali and appointment of a new president, Mr Freeman is trying to keep the bank fully committed to fostering the transition to market economics in eastern and central Europe.

The environment in which the EBRD operates is, however, "much tougher" than that confronting Germany's Treuhand privatisation agency, he says. Whereas east Germany was endowed with the western mark, federal law and a social security system, the rest of eastern and central Europe has no such advantages. Mr Freeman does not expect overnight transformation, recalling that West Germany's post-war *Wirtschaftswunder* took about 20 years, but is encouraged by the speed of change.

The Czech Republic's quick march to a market economy might make others look slow, but even Russia is starting to develop its private sector quickly, he said.

EBRD statutes require the bank to make 60 per cent of its investments in the private sector. Mr Freeman considers this a "Procrustean bed" that puts all countries on the same level, while the EBRD has to deal with the real world.

In the long run, he sees no problem with the rule, given that EBRD private-sector projects in some countries, such as Russia and the Czech Republic, already account for 100 per cent of the bank's schemes.

# Major sees stronger growth rate for economy

BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE economic recovery gathered pace a little during the second quarter, suggesting that the government's modest growth forecast will easily be beaten.

John Major said yesterday that he now expected growth this year of between 1.5 per cent and 1.7 per cent, well above the Treasury's budget forecast of 1.25 per cent. "It is now clear that growth prospects for this year are likely to exceed earlier forecasts," the prime minister said.

Gross domestic product increased by 0.5 per cent, compared with the first three months of the year, in line with the City's expectations, and was up 1.5 per cent on a year ago, according to preliminary figures released by the Central Statistical Office. This was the highest quarterly rise in GDP since the start of 1990, just before the recession began.

Excluding oil and gas, the onshore economy also grew at 0.5 per cent, compared with 0.7 per cent in the first quarter and up 1.3 per cent on the second quarter of 1992.

The economy has now been expanding for a year, registering gains of 0.3 per cent in each of the third and fourth quarters last year and 0.4 per cent in the first three months of this year. In all, the economy is about 1.5 per cent above its recessionary trough.

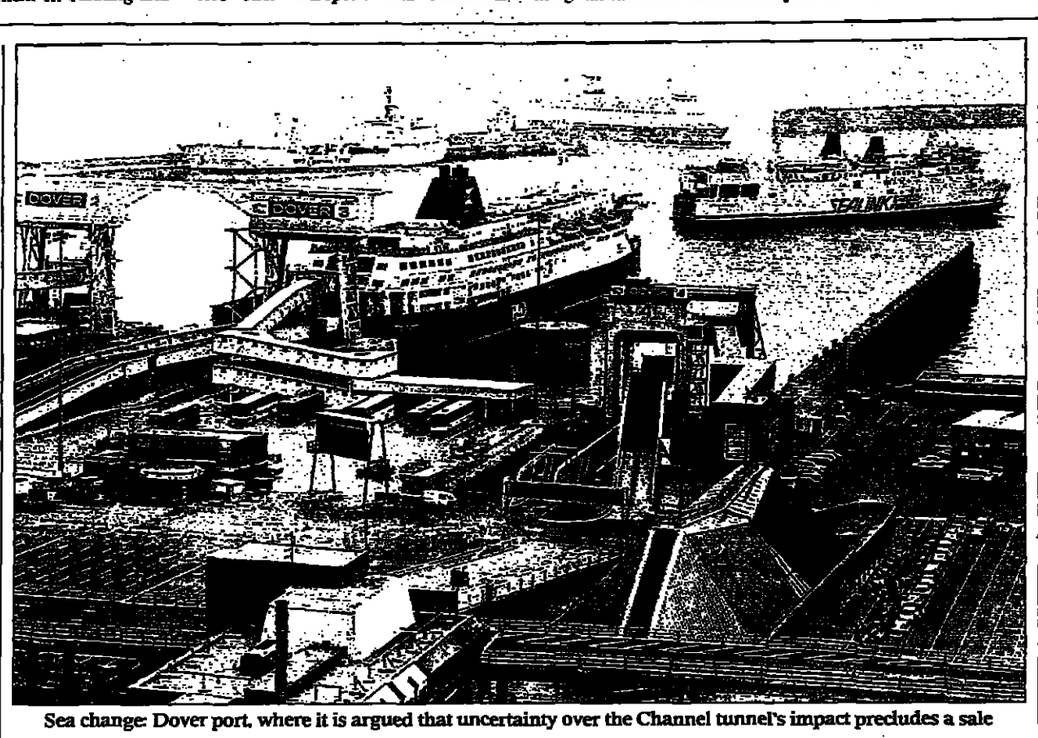
The Treasury welcomed yesterday's figures, calling them encouraging and confirming that Britain is enjoying a broadly based recovery. It now seems almost certain that the economy will expand faster than the 1.25 per cent growth forecast in the budget. The average forecast of the Treasury's independent panel of forecasters earlier this month was 1.6 per cent.

Yesterday's preliminary figures from the CSO provided very little detail, while breaking down the components of economic growth in the second quarter, but statisticians said that manufacturing maintained its positive trend during the period.

Services were estimated to have grown 0.5 per cent between the two quarters, up 1.5 per cent on a year ago. Within that category, distribution, hotels and catering gained 0.3 per cent, up 2 per cent from the first quarter of 1992.

The CSO said that the second quarter saw a particularly positive performance from banking, financial and business services.

The pattern of growth coming out of this recession is tending to signal a slower recovery than the one experienced in the early 1980s, but statisticians said that this was consistent with the fact that downturn in the early 1980s had been steeper. From peak to trough, GDP fell by 5.5 per cent in the early 1980s, while this time the drop was 4.1 per cent.


Sea change: Dover port, where it is argued that uncertainty over the Channel tunnel's impact precludes a sale

## Leading ports face shake-up

A GOVERNMENT commitment to force reluctant trust ports into the private sector is expected early next week (Ross Tieman writes). Managers of leading ports such as Dover, Aberdeen, Poole and Ipswich may find themselves obliged to shed their trust status and either bid for the assets or face takeovers.

The threat occurs because of the expiry tomorrow of a deadline imposed by the 1991 Ports Act for trust ports with turnover exceeding £5 million to convert. However, in some cases, ministers are expected to accede to arguments that privatisation is undesirable.

Dover argues that uncertainty over the impact of the Channel tunnel precludes a sale.

## Thames Water deal to supply Istanbul

BY CARL MORTISHED

THAMES Water is to supply drinking water to Istanbul in a $700 million project involving completion of a dam at Izmit, near the capital, the construction of a water treatment facility, pumping stations and 100 km of trunk mains.

PWT Projects, a Thames Water subsidiary, has been negotiating terms with the Turkish authorities since 1990, but the election of Prime Minister Tansu Ciller, who previously backed the project, is believed to have helped to push the deal forward.

The build, operate and transfer agreement signed with the Turkish authorities gives PWT a $290 million share in the construction of the facilities in Izmit, and the right to operate and manage the system for a period of 15 years, after which it is handed over to the authorities. The plan enables the cash-strapped Turkish authorities to obtain private sector funding for public works and PWT hopes to follow this project with others around the country. The company has already built a facility in Ankara, and the Izmit construction should add turnover of £100 million to PWT, spread over a couple of years.

Thames Water is putting $27 million of its own money into the project alongside its partners, Turkish contractors Gama Endustri Tesisleri Imalat and Guris Insaat ve Muhendislik, which are also providing a similar amount of equity. David Luffrum, finance director, said the investment would be financed separately from the utility company and he envisages taking on new borrowings to fund the construction programme next year. The balance of the funds, totalling 85 per cent of the cost of the project, is to be borrowed.

## Midland eyes TSB car leasing business

BY PATRICIA TEHAN
BANKING CORRESPONDENT

MIDLAND Bank is likely to reveal plans to buy TSB's Swan National leasing business next week, with the remaining Eurodollar car rental business being sold to a management buyout team.

Midland intends to acquire the business through its Forward Trust car leasing and contract hire arm, which includes Crown Vehicle Contracts. The Swan National leasing business runs a fleet of 27,000 cars and vans.

Lex Service and GE Capital are also thought to have taken a look at the business. Lex bought TSB's Swan National car dealership division, which has 23 branches, last year for £46 million.

Freddie Aldous, chief executive of Swan National, is leading the management buyout talks, with funding believed to be lined up from Prudential Venture Managers, part of Prudential Corporation.

Chris Ward, a partner in charge of Touche Ross's corporate finance department, is advising the management on their bid, which is thought to be worth more than £100 million.


Aldous: buyout talks

## Sharelink offer seven times oversubscribed

BY MARTIN FLANAGAN

THE flotation of Sharelink Investment Services, the telephone-based private client stockbroker, has been nearly seven times oversubscribed, it was announced yesterday.

By 10am on Thursday, 31.4 million shares had been applied for, against the 3.9 million offered to the public at an issue price of 250p. The same number of shares were placed with institutional investors.

Hill Samuel, financial advisers to the offer, said a ballot had been carried out because of the oversubscription of the public offer.

For those applications successful in the ballot, the basis for allocation is:

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☐ For every 200 shares applied for, a ballot for 150 shares;
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☐ For applications for 2,500 to 10,000 shares, a weighted ballot for 1,000 shares;
☐ Applications for 15,000 shares or more get 1,000 shares.

It is expected dealings in Sharelink, which will provide execution-only share dealing services to private individuals in the UK, will begin next Friday.

The flotation values Sharelink at £42.1 million. The Birmingham company has sold fewer than half its shares to raise £5 million to pay back finance used for last year's management buyout.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### First decline in profit by North of England

THE North of England Building Society, which admitted earlier this week that it was under investigation for the possible mis-selling of pensions and investment products, has for the first time reported lower profits. Ron Shiel, chairman, blames a near-doubling in bad debt provisions to £787,000 for a fall in pre-tax profits from £7.84 million to £7.69 million in the first half of 1993. Mortgage lending in the period declined, but the society did not say by how much. Bad debts have since stabilised, but Mr Shiel warns conditions in the second half are likely to remain tough and profits for the year are expected to be "on a more modest scale than in 1992".

The society says it has made "adequate provision" to cover any costs arising from the investigation into the selling of personal pensions and with-profit bonds to customers. The investigation, carried out by an independent firm of actuaries, was ordered by the Securities and Investments Board, following a routine visit by SIB officials to the Sunderland society last September.

### Shaftesbury to expand

SHAFTESBURY, the loss-making property company that owns a large estate in London's Chinatown, launched a £20 million share placing and open offer to raise funds for expansion. Shaftesbury is issuing 24.3 million shares at 88p. The company will almost double in size, while the founding Levy family, which owns 52 per cent, is to lose control. The family's entitlement to 11.8 million new shares is being placed with institutions, reducing the stake to 26 per cent. The company needs to reduce the £1 nominal value of the shares to 25p ordinary and 75p deferred to effect the placing.

### Hartstone freezes debt

HARTSTONE Group, which at the end of June disclosed taxable losses of £9.9 million, announced yesterday that it has signed an interim standstill agreement with its lenders that will extend until January 16, next year. Hartstone, which had year-end borrowings of £57 million, also announced that it had agreed with its lenders new facilities to cover the group's expected money requirements up to the same date. The hosiery and leather goods group said the facilities had been made available to meet the seasonal requirements of Hartstone's business.

### BET sells music firms

BET, the diversified laundries to scaffolding group, is selling its Rediffusion Music subsidiary and its German sister company, Reditune GmbH, for £18 million to AEI Music Network Inc, of Seattle. BET says that proceeds will cut seasonal borrowings, and the move continues a divestment programme intended to give the group more focus. In the year to end-March, Rediffusion Music and Reditune, which supply commercial music services, had combined turnover of £16.5 million and trading profit of £1.6 million. They had combined net assets of £3.5 million at end-March.

### Black Arrow warns

BLACK Arrow, the furniture and leasing group, says a deteriorating business climate means trading profits in the first half of this financial year are likely to be worse than the £870,000 in the same period last year. The shares firmed 1p to 44p as the group revealed pre-tax profits rose to £2.02 million against £1.33 million in the year to end-March, on sales up to £20.41 million (£16.54 million). An unchanged 1.60p final makes 2.60p (2.10p). The better profits performance was aided by a £668,000 exceptional gain on the sale of one of Black Arrow's trading properties.

### Fisons set for £4.8m sale

FISONS is to sell its Australian laboratory supplies business to Phoenix Scientific Industries for total cash of £4.8 million. The group will now concentrate on the expansion of the Australian Fisons Instruments business, which is not involved in the transaction and which it says has shown significant growth in the past few years. The acquisition is subject to support from big distribution agencies and the provision of additional debt funding and capital in Phoenix, to be finalised in the next few weeks.

### Southend profits slump

SOUTHEND Property Holdings, which last month warned of a 44 per cent dividend cut in the current year, says profits for the year to March 31 slumped from £3.7 million to £1.2 million due to the poor performance of its Australian gold mining subsidiary. The company yesterday announced the acquisition, in a joint venture with Haigside and Western Securities, of a commercial development in Liverpool for £5 million. Turnover fell from £81 million to £31 million. The final dividend was held at 2.73p or 4.25p (4.18p) for the year.


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## British Coal loses pensions battle

BY SARA MCCONNELL, PERSONAL FINANCE CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Coal cannot use its share of a £1 billion pension surplus to pay pensions for redundant employees, the high court ruled yesterday. Mr Justice Vinelott upheld the case by the trustees of the British Coal Staff Superannuation Scheme that the scheme rules do not allow British Coal to use its half share of the surplus, estimated at £500 million, to fund early and enhanced pensions to redundant workers.

The scheme rules say any surplus must be shared 50:50 to benefit the 97,000 scheme members and British Coal. British Coal owes £481 million in payments to fund a previously agreed redundancy package of £500 million over ten years and has been making payments in instalments. But it has been withholding an instalment of £109 million since April. British Coal said it had been given legal advice that it was allowed instead, under the scheme rules, to use its share of the surplus to pay redundancy pensions.

The trustees told the court that their responsibility was for the fund and not for redundancies. They proposed that British Coal should use its share to fund a further contribution holiday for itself. It already has a contribution holiday until 1997, taken in 1989, when there was a valuation surplus of £973 million. British Coal argued that there was no difference between a pensions holiday and extinguishing its liability to pay for enhanced pensions under redundancy terms by using its share of the surplus. Mr Justice Vinelott ruled that to release British Coal from its liability to pay separately for its redundancy packages would be equivalent to a payment to the employer, which is not allowed under scheme rules. The decision was welcomed by Norman Willis, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress. He said: "Schemes are not a cheap way for employers to make people redundant ... The courts have made this clear and employers should take note." British Coal, which is deciding whether to appeal, is to pay the £109 million owing to the fund with interest.


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"Brian McGowan has been tempted back to the City by the challenge of bringing House of Fraser to market. His professional judgment is on the line over a company most City analysts view with scepticism."

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BUSINESS PROFILE: **Brian McGowan**

# Sitting on the ring fence at House of Fraser

**Neil Bennett** meets the man under whose independent leadership the stores group will come to market



STEPHEN MARKESON

Back in the swim: Brian McGowan retired early from Williams Holdings but was attracted back to lead the House of Fraser Stores flotation

Brian McGowan, the new chairman of House of Fraser Stores, has returned from his fishing holiday. Less than two months ago, he stunned the City by announcing that he was retiring as chief executive of Williams Holdings, the £1.5 billion conglomerate he had helped build from scratch, to lead the good life. Now he has taken on the challenging task of bringing House of Fraser back to the stock market.

The task, he knows, will not be easy. City investors are deeply suspicious about House of Fraser, which has been a private company since it was bought by the Fayed brothers in 1985. Somehow he must convince the world that House of Fraser is a successful, promising stores group in time for its flotation, worth up to £500 million, next spring. All of which jars with his previously avowed intention to fish, play tennis and ski.

But Mr McGowan insists he has not changed his mind: "I have not given up fishing or skiing. It is difficult to get across that this is a non-executive job. I can still follow my personal interests. There are going to be intense periods of activity, in the two-month run-up to flotation for example. But, outside those, it will not be much more than a non-executive chairmanship."

Despite City surprise at the appointment, Mr McGowan was an obvious choice for Warburgs in its search for a chief to bring a controversial company to the market. He is the perfect antithesis of the flashy Fayed brothers and there are few businessmen with more solid reputations, particularly in such a fast-moving sector as acquisition-led conglomerates. He dresses conservatively, and displays few outward signs of his wealth — he even wears a plain leather strap on his Rolex watch, instead of the standard gold bangle. His quiet grey suits and soft voice are all redolent of his accountancy and administration background. He is someone you instinctively feel is trustworthy.

In the days after Mr McGowan announced his retirement from Williams, he was bombarded by offers of work but he turned them all down. "Some of them were quite interesting but I did not want to get sucked back into full-time occupation."

Then one evening Derek Higgs, a director of SG Warburg, the merchant bank organising the House of Fraser float, telephoned him with an offer he could not refuse. "It was the night before the Lords' Test. They asked if they could see me but I said I was going to be tied up for a couple of days." Among his other interests, Mr McGowan is an avid cricket watcher.

"They sounded me out and it sounded interesting. The idea of a flotation appealed to me. When I started looking at the company I thought 'what a tremendous collection of outlets'."

Mr McGowan is under no illusions about the attitude of the City to House of Fraser. "There is in some quarters going to be a credibility problem. We are aware of the cynicism that surrounds something like this." Nevertheless, he is risking his reputation on this venture. His presence as chairman is a guarantee to investors that they will get what they see in November's annual report and next year's prospectus.

Despite City reservations about the Fayeds' businesses, Mr McGowan says he has no concern about his position. "One makes enquiries and one gets a feel for a business. I don't always get it right but you get better at judging people as you get older. The mere fact that Warburgs are here helps. They have an equal fear for their own name and reputation and they certainly would not have gone into this if they had had any doubts."

> 'There is in some quarters going to be a credibility problem. We are aware of the cynicism'

His first action as chairman has been to throw a ring fence around House of Fraser Stores, to prevent the Fayed brothers playing any role in its affairs, even though they will remain its 100 per cent shareholders until the float. Ali Fayed resigned from the board this week and the brothers have signed a memorandum of understanding with him and Warburgs which promises that they will not interfere. "There was no point for any of us going through all this publicity now and finding that we could not work together next week. We have had a lot of discussions in the last few weeks and these businesses have to be run autonomously. If the Fayeds want us on board that is the way it will have to be — if they want to float this business and get cash. I do not think it will be a problem. We are all on the same side."

The memorandum gives the Fayed brothers a few residual powers over the business. Mr McGowan and his colleagues cannot carry out a major acquisition without their permission. But it largely gives the management the scope to run the business freely.

If things do go wrong, Mr McGowan has a powerful sanction. His contract allows him to resign instantly. If that ever happened, the Fayeds' plans for the flotation, which they need to reduce their estimated debts of £650 million, would be shattered.

The stewardship of one of Britain's grandest chain of stores is a startling change of direction for Mr McGowan at 48. He has spent the past 12 years building Williams from a small engineering firm into a group that owns names like Polycell and Yale.

Mr McGowan's decision to leave Williams surprised many but, on reflection, it is clear that his job in the group had disappeared. As chief executive, he had always been the administrative force behind Williams' acquisitive drive. The overall architect of the business was Nigel Rudd, the chairman, while day-to-day operations were handled by Roger Carr, who has taken over as chief executive. "Nigel is more visionary than I am and much more the true entrepreneur. My strength is administration," he said.

In Williams' presentations, Mr McGowan's quiet, methodical approach was the perfect counterweight to Mr Rudd's wild, infectious enthusiasm. The two seemed an unbreakable team, but the recession and the swing in fashion against acquisitive conglomerates split them. While Williams was bidding, Mr McGowan was frantically busy; the failed offer for Racal alone took up a year of his life. But the recession and a series of unsuccessful bids have stopped the Williams acquisition machine for now and he was surplus to requirements.

He explained: "It is real feast and famine. When you are bidding you are unbelievably busy. But the moment that finishes you haven't anything to do. At times you could do with two of me. At others you could do with none."

Added to this enforced idleness was Mr McGowan's boyhood ambition to retire early to enjoy himself, and his decision was made. "I am going to miss this business. It is something I had a major part in creating and I am immensely proud of it. But I did not want to go on working until I was 65," he said.

Mr McGowan learned the acquisition trade at London & Northern, the diversified conglomerate, which he joined after he qualified as a chartered accountant. There he met Mr Rudd, company secretary at one of the businesses bought by the group.

He has no experience of retailing but does not see it as a handicap. "All my career, I've had no detailed knowledge of businesses whether it is Polycell or aerospace fire protection. That was not my job. What you have to make certain is that you have the best team there in manufacturing or retailing or whatever."

He does, however, talk about House of Fraser with genuine enthusiasm. He has early memories of the Dickins and Jones store in Richmond in Surrey, close to his home in Isleworth. When he was first offered the chair, he thought that the stores would be run down and starved of cash. He was struck, however, by the tremendous spread of the 59 stores in the chain, with names like Frasers in Scotland, Rackhams in the Midlands and Army & Navy and DH Evans in the south-east. He was also surprised by the amount that has been spent on refurbishment and development, £100 million in the last five years. One of his most important jobs in House of Fraser will be to impress potential investors about the quality of the business.

There are many risks that both Mr McGowan and the House of Fraser must face on the road to flotation, but they have started the journey strongly this week. The venture and its associated publicity has come at a heavy price. He can no longer shop anonymously. "I was in Dickins and Jones in Regent Street on a private visit and I was recognised. I'm used to being recognised in the City but not when I'm shopping. I'll have to start wearing a false beard."

Mr McGowan may not appreciate such fame, but his place in the float of the House of Fraser will ensure his face becomes extremely familiar as the months pass. It promises to be a while before he can relax on the riverbank again.

Brussels calls for action on billion-gallon 'lake'

# Euro-wine glut leaves a sour taste

BY TOM WALKER IN BRUSSELS



EUROPE faces being flooded by a billion gallon wine lake by the turn of the decade, and at fault is the subsidy-ridden, £30 billion-a-year common agricultural policy (CAP).

René Steichen, the EC's agriculture commissioner, has admitted that Europe's citizens are faced with a tidal wave of unwanted wine because new technology and generous CAP handouts have given the EC's wine growers a healthy incentive over the past decade to trim back only marginally on the land under production.

The growers are basking in the knowledge that Brussels will pay for anything surplus or of poor quality they produce. Much of the wine on offer has had to be distilled into alcohol and stored in vast vats in the Netherlands and Italy in the vague hope that someone may one day buy it and turn it into fuel.

"The present policy of distillation has not worked effectively because of fraud," Mr Steichen said. "You can make erroneous statements." Another problem is that Europeans are becoming far too frugal in their wine-drinking habits, with consumption falling by about 50 million gallons a year. Mr Steichen now wants the EC's viticulturers to concentrate on a solution to gladden the hearts of wine cognoscenti — making better wines at lower volumes. Not only has EC production risen out of control over the past ten years, but imports of quality wines from outside countries into the Community have also exploded. Mr Steichen wants to stamp out the practice of rescuing poor harvests through the addition of sugar and concentrated grape juice — or must — to the fermentation process.

He also wants farmers to practice "destemming and early cropping", where they take an early "green harvest" from the vineyards, leaving only the good quality grapes to ripen for the final *vendage*. Farmers will also be given bigger CAP handouts for simply ploughing up their vineyards.

"The reforms of the 1980s were insufficient," he said. "There is too much wine." But he added that small wine producers such as Britain would not be hit by the reforms because there is no "compulsory distillation" for regions where production is under 1.75 million gallons per year.

The proposed reforms were welcomed by wine traders. David Roberts, a salesman at Berry Bros and Rudd in London, said: "There is a huge problem of overproduction and surpluses in wine. There is too much poor quality wine on the world market." He agreed with Mr Steichen that quality should be put at a premium.

Ten years ago, Berry Bros had five southern hemisphere wines on its books; now it has 250. Mr Roberts said: "They are competitive on quality and price and are taking up to 25 per cent of our European sales." He added that whereas in the 1960s, poor harvests naturally kept production down, now "you never have a bad vintage with modern technology. So many general purpose wines are made in the winery and not in the vineyard."

# House prices likely to increase by 7%

BY SARA MCCONNELL, PERSONAL FINANCE CORRESPONDENT

HOUSE prices should rise by 7 per cent next year, reflecting a 10 per cent growth in actual sales, but this recovery will not signal the start of a 1980s-style housing boom.

John Wriglesworth and John Marsland, housing analysts at UBS, say much of the extra demand for homes creating pressure for house prices will be from "one-off" purchasers who have delayed buying over the last four years, waiting for the market to fall further and snap up a bargain. After these have fed through, demand will fall back again, the analysts say in their latest report, *Boom, Bust or Bumping Along the Bottom*.

Many prospective buyers, particularly young people, have also been frightened off home ownership. The report says: "The experience of house prices has permanently changed attitudes towards home ownership, particularly the young. House price falls have caused misery for millions of people, not least the near two million presently in negative equity and the 250,000 householders whose homes have been repossessed over the last five years."

Additionally, a fall in the numbers of people aged 25-28 over the next five years is likely to mean a 30 per cent drop in potential first time buyers in the latter half of the 1990s.

Mr Wriglesworth and Mr Marsland predict that house prices will stay "broadly flat" for the rest of this year, with a 1 per cent rise in the fourth quarter over the same period last year. They say: "The market is bumping along the bottom and, barring any ill-advised interference from the government, should gradually recover towards the end of the year and in 1994."

Signs of an apparent recovery in March have proved shortlived, partly because potential buyers are still nervous about further falls in house prices which would wipe out deposits. Lenders, seriously affected by bad debts, are at the same time insisting on larger deposits.

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WORLD MARKETS

# Nikkei closes sharply lower

**Tokyo** — Shares ended sharply lower because of concerns over a higher yen and political uncertainties, with the Nikkei average closing below 20,000 for the first time in almost two weeks. It slid 381.24 points, or 1.90 per cent, to 19,734.57. Turnover was a meagre 200 million shares. The Nikkei opened lower on pre-weekend position adjustments and arbitrage unwinding. The slide accelerated when it fell through the 25-day moving average at 19,834.91.

☐ **New York** — Shares stayed moderately higher in early trading while bonds continued to slide.

The Dow Jones industrial average was up 1.4 points to 3,526.62, after climbing to 3,545.9. Advancing issues led declining shares nine to seven. Phil Roth, chief technical analyst at Dean Witter Reynolds, said: "We are seeing transformation from an interest rate-driven market to one that is driven by earnings."

☐ **Hong Kong** — Share prices ended down, but off their lows, after overseas institutions started worrying about the state of China's economy and off-loaded shares, brokers said. Selective bargain hunting reduced losses on the Hang Seng index, which fell more than 50 points at one stage. It eventually finished 9.69 points lower at 6,750.

☐ **Singapore** — Shares closed higher on late buying of speculative Malaysian shares traded over the counter, brokers said. The Straits Times industrial index rose 4.67 points to 1,823.08.

☐ **Sydney** — Shares recovered earlier losses to close firmer, although off their highs. Brokers said that prices were pushed upwards by strong offshore and local buying and renewed hope of an early interest rate cut. The all-ordinaries index finished at 1,806.8, up 4.2 points. *(Reuter)*


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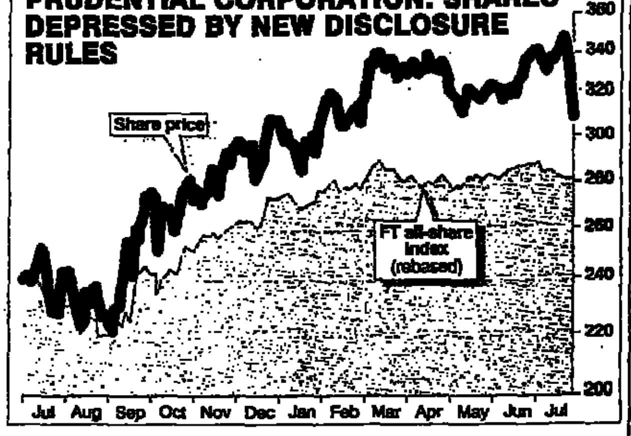
# Life offices given little assurance

IT WAS not only the government that had to face up to a *crisis of confidence yesterday.* The life insurance companies were suffering too.

Double figure losses were commonplace after the Treasury told securities regulators to draft new rules forcing agents to disclose more information about their services.

The move will provide customers with more information about life insurance policies, including the amount of commission each agent receives. The life assurers have fought fiercely to resist the changes, but must now comply. There were falls in **Prudential**, 22p to 309½p, **Britannic**, 24p to 435p, **Legal & General**, 31p to 470p, **Lloyds Abbey**, 28p to 412p, **London and Manchester**, 12p to 332p, **Refuge Group**, 53p to 950p, **Trans-Atlantic**, 5p to 312p, and **United Friendly B**, 25p to 638p.

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The shock waves were also felt in other parts of the financial services industry. The composite insurers retreated, with **Commercial Union** down 14p at 609p, **Guardian Royal Exchange** 9p to 193p, **Royal Insurance** 2½p to 323p and **Sun Alliance** 10p to 374p.

The banks rounded off a dismal week with further losses, although they did close above the worst of the day. **Lloyds**, which kicks off the interim dividend season next week, fell 6p to 558p. There were also losses for **Barclays**, 4p to 468p, **Abbey National**, 4p to 394p, **Bank of Ireland**, 4p to 226p and **TSB Group**, 1½p to 194½p. **National Westminster**, on 481p, and **Royal Bank of Scotland**, on 291p, closed all square.

The rest of the equity market managed to gather its composure after an early markdown in the wake of the government's defeat in the Commons the previous evening. The prospect of the Labour party succeeding with a vote of no confidence was discounted by brokers and investors alike, allowing the FT-SE 100 index to replace a fall of almost 19 points with a rise of 7.6 at 2,827.7. However, a nervous start on Wall Street meant there were few buyers willing to open fresh positions before the weekend. By the close of business, only 539 million shares had changed hands.

**Wellcome** lost some of Thursday's gains, achieved after an American court upheld its claim to own the patents of Retrovir, the anti-Aids treatment. But Barr Laboratories, a generic company that challenged the ownership of the patent, said it would appeal. Wellcome finished 3p cheaper at 638p.

**Zeneca** was a firm market, jumping 14p to 613p before interim figures next week. These will be the first figures published since the group demerged from **ICI**, 6p better at 651p. **SmithKline Beecham A** was chased 10p higher at 435p by American investors.

**Hartstone**, the troubled leather and hoisery products group, enjoyed a rare burst of support, adding 7p to 56p. It has reached a standstill agreement with the banks on debt repayment and has obtained funds to continue trading.

**British Aerospace** continued to respond favourably to a recommendation earlier this week from Panmure Gordon, with a rise of 8p to 404p. There is also mounting speculation that the group's £250 million joint venture with Taiwan will be concluded soon.

**Boots** rose 3p to 432p after Thursday's annual meeting. First-quarter sales were up 7.7 per cent. The only black spot was the Do-It-All venture. Supporters hope for more gains next week after talks with brokers and institutions.

☐ **Gilt-edged:** Gilts suffered sharp falls early on because of worries about lack of demand for the new auction and the confidence vote. But prices later rallied and ended just below overnight levels. Brokers said trading conditions were mixed, with the September series of the **long gilt** falling £3/16 to £108 3/32 as 31,000 contracts were completed.

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RISES:

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| HP Bulmer | 429p (+11p) |
| SmithKline | 435p (+10p) |
| Liberty Life | 976p (+17p) |
| *Hammerson 'A'* | 324p (+10p) |
| Warner | 237p (+11p) |

FALLS:

| | |
|---|---|
| United Friendly | 638p (-25p) |
| Sun Alliance | 374p (-10p) |
| Rolfe & Nolan | 255p (-28p) |
| *Britannic* | 435p (-24p) |
| Commercial Union | 609p (-14p) |
| Lloyds Abbey | 412p (-28p) |
| *London & Man* | 332p (-12p) |
| Parkland 'A' | 141p (-9p) |
| Prudential | 309½p (-22p) |

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WALL STREET

| | Jul 23 midday | Jul 22 close |
|---|---|---|
| AMP Inc | 60½ | 59½ |
| AMR Corp | 65½ | 65½ |
| Abbott Labs | 25¾ | 25¾ |
| Aetna Life | 58½ | 57½ |
| Ahmanson (HF) | 19½ | 19½ |
| Air Prod & Chem | 41½ | 41 |
| Albertson's | 51½ | 51½ |
| Alcan Aluminum | 19 | 18½ |
| Alco Standard | 44½ | 44½ |
| Allied Signal | 69½ | 69 |
| *Alum Co of Am* | 70 | 69½ |
| Amax | 23½ | 23½ |
| Amerada Hess | 48½ | 47½ |
| Amer Brands | 33½ | 33½ |
| Amer Cyanamid | 53½ | 53½ |
| Amer El Power | 37½ | 37½ |
| Amer Express | 32½ | 32½ |
| Amer Genl Corp | 30½ | 30½ |
| Amer Home Pr | 63½ | 63 |
| Amer Intl | 136½ | 135½ |
| Amer Stores | 43½ | 43½ |
| Amer T & T | 63½ | 63½ |
| Ameritech | 78½ | 78½ |
| Amoco | 53½ | 52½ |
| Anheuser-Busch | 47½ | 47 |
| Apple Computer | 26½ | 26½ |
| Archer Daniels | 23½ | 23½ |
| Arkla | 9½ | 9½ |
| Armco | 7½ | 7½ |
| Armstrng Wrld | 32½ | 32½ |
| Asarco | 18 | 18 |
| Ashland Oil | 28½ | 28½ |
| Atl Richfield | 115½ | 114½ |
| Auto Data Pro | 49 | 48½ |
| *Avery Dennison* | 28½ | 28½ |
| Avon Products | 57½ | 57½ |
| Baker Hughes | 26½ | 26 |
| Baltim Gas & El | 25½ | 25½ |
| Banc One | 54½ | 54½ |
| BankAmerica | 43½ | 44 |
| Bank of NY | 55½ | 55½ |
| Bankers Tr NY | 75 | 76 |
| Barnett Banks | 47 | 47½ |
| Bausch & Lomb | 46½ | 45½ |
| Baxter Intl | 26½ | 26½ |
| Bectn Dicksn | 36½ | 36½ |
| Bell Atlantic | 58½ | 58½ |
| BellSouth | 56½ | 55½ |
| Black & Decker | 21½ | 21½ |
| Block (H&R) | 34½ | 34½ |
| Boeing | 37½ | 37½ |
| Boise Cascade | 21½ | 21½ |
| Borden Inc | 17½ | 17½ |
| Bristol Myrs Sq | 57 | 56½ |
| Browning Ferris | 26½ | 27½ |
| Burlingtn Nthn | 54½ | 53½ |
| CBS | 249 | 248½ |
| CNA Financial | 90½ | 90½ |
| CPC Intl | 40½ | 41 |
| CSX | 73½ | 73½ |
| Campbell Soup | 37½ | 39½ |
| Can Pacific | 15½ | 15½ |
| Cptl Cities ABC | 510 | 508 |
| Cptl Holdings | 42½ | 41½ |
| Carolina Pwr | 32½ | 33 |
| Caterpillar | 76½ | 77½ |
| Central & SW | 32½ | 32½ |
| Champion Intl | 32½ | 32½ |
| Chase Manhat | 31½ | 32 |
| Chemical Bk | 40½ | 39½ |
| Chevron Corp | 87½ | 86½ |
| Chrysler | 44½ | 45 |
| Chubb Corp | 89½ | 88½ |
| Cigna Corp | 57½ | 58½ |
| Citicorp | 31½ | 31½ |
| Clorox | 53½ | 52½ |
| Coastal Corp | 26½ | 26½ |
| Coca Cola | 43½ | 43½ |
| Colgate-Palmolive | 49½ | 48½ |
| Columbia Gas | 22½ | 22½ |
| Commonw Ed | 28½ | 28 |
| Compaq Comp | 49½ | 48½ |
| Comp Ass Intl | 29½ | 30½ |
| Conagra | 24½ | 24½ |
| Cons Edison | 36 | 36½ |
| Cons Nat Gas | 49½ | 49½ |
| Cons Rail | 57½ | 57½ |
| Cooper Inds | 48½ | 48½ |
| Corning Inc | 32½ | 32½ |
| Crown Cork | 34½ | 34½ |
| Dana Corp | 55½ | 55 |
| Dayton Hudson | 67½ | 67 |
| Deere | 64½ | 64½ |
| Delta Air Lines | 52 | 51 |
| Deluxe Corp | 37½ | 37½ |
| Detroit Edison | 35½ | 35½ |
| Digital Equip | 37½ | 37½ |
| Dillard Dept St | 36½ | 36 |
| Disney (Walt) | 38½ | 37 |
| Dominion Res | 45½ | 45½ |
| Donelley (RR) | 29½ | 29½ |
| Dover Corp | 47½ | 47 |
| Dow Chemicals | 58½ | 58½ |
| Dow Jones | 28½ | 28½ |
| Dresser | 24½ | 24½ |
| Duke Power | 42½ | 42 |
| Dun & Brdstrt | 60½ | 60½ |
| Du Pont | 48½ | 49½ |
| Eastman Kodak | 51½ | 50½ |
| Eaton Corp | 44½ | 44½ |

| | Jul 23 midday | Jul 22 close |
|---|---|---|
| Emerson Elec | 57½ | 58½ |
| Engelhard Corp | 36½ | 36 |
| Enron Corp | 65½ | 65½ |
| Entergy Corp | 37½ | 37½ |
| Ethyl Corp | 19½ | 19½ |
| Exxon | 64½ | 64½ |
| FMC Corp | 47½ | 47½ |
| FPL Group | 38½ | 38½ |
| Federal Express | 54 | 53½ |
| Fed Nat Mtge | 82½ | 82 |
| First Chicago | 44½ | 44½ |
| First Interstate | 64½ | 64½ |
| First Union Rity | 10½ | 10½ |
| Fleet Finl Grp | 33 | 33 |
| Fluor Corp | 42½ | 42½ |
| Ford Motor | 51½ | 52½ |
| GTE Corp | 35½ | 36 |
| Gannett | 49½ | 49 |
| Gap Inc Del | 28½ | 28½ |
| Gen Dynamics | 89½ | 90½ |
| Gen Electric | 98½ | 98 |
| Gen Mills | 63½ | 64½ |
| Gen Motors | 47½ | 47½ |
| Gen Reinsurance | 118½ | 117½ |
| Gen Signal | 31½ | 31½ |
| Genuine Parts | 36½ | 36½ |
| Georgia Pac | 61½ | 60½ |
| Gillette | 51½ | 52½ |
| Glaxo ADR | 15½ | 15½ |
| Goodrich (BF) | 45½ | 45½ |
| Goodyear Tire | 41½ | 41½ |
| Grace (WR) | 41½ | 41 |
| Gt Atl Pac Tea | 31 | 31 |
| Great Wstn Fin | 17½ | 17½ |
| Halliburton | 37½ | 37½ |
| Harcourt General | 37½ | 37½ |
| Heinz (HJ) | 36 | 36½ |
| Hercules | 77 | 77 |
| Hershey Foods | 44 | 43½ |
| *Hewlett Packard* | 76½ | 75½ |
| Hilton Hotels | 43½ | 42½ |
| Home Depot | 43 | 42½ |
| Homestake Mng | 18½ | 18½ |
| Honeywell | 36½ | 36½ |
| *Household Intl* | 74½ | 74½ |
| Houston Inds | 45½ | 45½ |
| Humana | 12½ | 12 |
| ITT Corp | 88½ | 87½ |
| Illinois Tool | 37½ | 37½ |
| *INCO* | 20½ | 20½ |
| Ingersoll Rand | 33 | 32½ |
| Inland Steel | 28½ | 28½ |
| Intel Corp | 52 | 50 |
| IBM | 42½ | 43½ |
| *Intl Flav & Fr* | 114 | 113½ |
| Intl Paper | 64½ | 64 |
| James River Va | 21 | 20½ |
| Jnsn & Jnsn | 38 | 37½ |
| K Mart | 20½ | 20½ |
| Kellogg | 49½ | 49½ |
| Kerr-McGee | 51½ | 51½ |
| Kimberly-Clark | 44½ | 45½ |
| Knight-Ridder | 51½ | 52 |
| Lilly (Eli) | 48 | 47½ |
| Limited Inc | 20 | 19½ |
| LIN Brdcstng | 99½ | 100½ |
| Lincoln Nat | 39½ | 38½ |
| Litton | 64 | 65½ |
| Liz Claiborne | 20½ | 20 |
| Lockheed Corp | 66½ | 67½ |
| Louisiana Pac | 31½ | 31½ |
| MCI Commun | 29½ | 28½ |
| Marriott | 27½ | 27½ |
| Marsh & McLnn | 85½ | 85½ |
| Masco Corp | 28½ | 27½ |
| May Dept St | 38½ | 38½ |
| Maytag Corp | 15½ | 15½ |
| McCaw Cellular | 47½ | 48 |
| McDonalds | 48½ | 48½ |
| McDonnell D | 83½ | 83½ |
| *McGraw Hill* | 61½ | 61½ |
| Mead Corp | 42½ | 42½ |
| Medtronic | 62½ | 62½ |
| Mellon Bk | 54½ | 54½ |
| Melville Corp | 43½ | 43½ |
| Merck Inc | 32½ | 32½ |
| Merrill Lynch | 82½ | 81½ |
| Minnesota Mine | 109½ | 108½ |
| Mobil Corp | 70½ | 69½ |
| Monsanto | 56½ | 58½ |
| Morgan (JP) | 69½ | 69½ |
| Motorola Inc | 87½ | 86½ |
| Natl Medical | 11½ | 11½ |
| Natl Semi | 16½ | 16½ |
| Natl Service Ind | 27 | 26½ |
| Navistar Int | 26½ | 26½ |
| NBD Bancorp | 33½ | 33½ |
| NY Times A | 25½ | 25½ |
| Newmont Mng | 51½ | 52½ |
| Niag Mohawk | 24½ | 24½ |
| Nike B | 55½ | 55½ |
| NL Industries | 5½ | 5½ |
| Nordstrom | 27 | 26½ |
| Norfolk Sthrn | 62½ | 61½ |
| Nthn State Pwr | 45½ | 45½ |
| Norwest Corp | 27½ | 27 |
| Nynex Corp | 90½ | 90½ |
| Occidental Pet | 21½ | 21½ |
| Ohio Edison | 25 | 24½ |
| Oracle Systems | 50½ | 49½ |

| | Jul 23 midday | Jul 22 close |
|---|---|---|
| Oryx Energy Co | 19½ | 19½ |
| *Owens Corning* | 41½ | 40½ |
| PNC Financial | 29½ | 29½ |
| PPG Industries | 69 | 68½ |
| Paccar Inc | 61½ | 61½ |
| Pacificorp | 18½ | 18½ |
| *Pac Enterprises* | 24½ | 24½ |
| Pac Gas & Elec | 34½ | 34½ |
| Pac Telesis | 49 | 49 |
| Pall Corp | 17½ | 16½ |
| Panhandle East | 24½ | 24½ |
| Paramnt Comm | 52 | 52 |
| Parker Hannifin | 31 | 31½ |
| Penney (JC) | 43½ | 43 |
| Pennzoil | 61½ | 61½ |
| Pepsico | 37½ | 37½ |
| Pfizer | 64½ | 63½ |
| Phelps Dodge | 49½ | 45½ |
| Philadel Elec | 30½ | 30½ |
| Philip Morris | 47½ | 47½ |
| Phillips Pet | 28½ | 28½ |
| Pitney Bowes | 42 | 41½ |
| Polaroid | 37½ | 37 |
| Price Co | 32 | 31½ |
| Primerica | 53½ | 52½ |
| *Procter & Gmbl* | 49½ | 48½ |
| Pub Serv E & G | 34½ | 34½ |
| Quaker Oats | 65½ | 66½ |
| Ralston Purina | 39½ | 42½ |
| Raychem Corp | 35½ | 35½ |
| Raytheon | 59½ | 59½ |
| Reebok Intl | 28½ | 28½ |
| Reynolds Metals | 50 | 49½ |
| Roadway Srvcs | 65½ | 60½ |
| Rockwell Intl | 32½ | 32 |
| Rohm & Haas | 52½ | 52½ |
| Royal Dutch | 92½ | 92½ |
| Rubbermaid | 30½ | 30 |
| Safeco Corp | 60½ | 60½ |
| St Paul's Cos | 85 | 84½ |
| Salomon Inc | 39½ | 38½ |
| Santa Fe Pac | 17½ | 17½ |
| Sara Lee Corp | 23½ | 23½ |
| Scecorp | 23½ | 23½ |
| Schering Plough | 66½ | 66½ |
| Schlumberger | 64½ | 64½ |
| Scott Paper | 32½ | 32½ |
| Seagram | 26 | 25½ |
| Sears Roebuck | 50½ | 50 |
| Shell Trans | 55½ | 55½ |
| Sherwin Wllms | 31½ | 31½ |
| Skyline Corp | 17½ | 17½ |
| Snap-On-Tools | 40½ | 39½ |
| Southern Co | 42½ | 42½ |
| Sthwestern Bell | 40½ | 40½ |
| Sprint Corp | 35½ | 35 |
| Stanley Works | 41½ | 40½ |
| Sun Company | 26½ | 25½ |
| Suntrust | 45½ | 45½ |
| Supervalu | 35½ | 35½ |
| Syntex Corp | 18 | 17½ |
| Sysco Corp | 25½ | 25½ |
| TRW Inc | 62½ | 62½ |
| Tandem Comp | 10½ | 10½ |
| Tandy Corp | 28½ | 28½ |
| Telecom Corp | 3½ | 3½ |
| Teledyne | 23½ | 24½ |
| Temple Inland | 43½ | 43 |
| Tenneco | 49½ | 49½ |
| Texaco | 62½ | 62 |
| Texas Inst | 73½ | 73½ |
| Texas Utilities | 47½ | 48 |
| Textron | 53½ | 53½ |
| Time Warner | 38½ | 37½ |
| Times-Mirror | 30½ | 30½ |
| Timken | 33½ | 33½ |
| Torchmark | 56½ | 55½ |
| Toys R Us | 35½ | 34½ |
| Transamerica | 54½ | 54½ |
| Travelers Corp | 30½ | 30½ |
| Tribune | 50½ | 49½ |
| Tyco Labs | 40½ | 40 |
| UAL Corp | 139½ | 139½ |
| UST Inc | 29½ | 29½ |
| USX Marathon | 17½ | 17½ |
| Unilever NV | 97½ | 98 |
| Union Camp | 43 | 42½ |
| Union Carbide | 18½ | 18½ |
| Union Pacific | 62 | 61½ |
| Unisys Corp | 10½ | 10½ |
| USAIR Group | 17½ | 16½ |
| USF&G Corp | 17½ | 18 |
| US Life | 41½ | 41½ |
| US West | 47½ | 47½ |
| United Tech | 54½ | 54½ |
| Unocal Corp | 28½ | 28½ |
| Upjohn | 28½ | 28½ |
| VF Corp | 40½ | 40½ |
| WMX Tech | 31½ | 31½ |
| Wal-Mart Stores | 25½ | 25½ |
| Warner-Lambert | 69½ | 64 |
| Wells Fargo | 111 | 110½ |
| Westinghouse El | 16½ | 16½ |
| Weyerhaeuser | 39½ | 39½ |
| Whirlpool | 61½ | 61½ |
| Whitman | 14½ | 14½ |
| Winn Dixie | 57½ | 57½ |
| Woolworth | 25½ | 25½ |
| Wrigley (Wm) Jr | 32½ | 32½ |
| Xerox | 72½ | 72½ |

NEW ISSUES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Anagen (100) | 79 | ... |
| *Baring Chrysalis C (339)* | 356 | ... |
| Baring Emrg Mkts ($10) | 679 | ... |
| BT (Partly/Paid) (150) | 172 | +½ |
| *Business Post (120)* | 143 | -3 |
| Carpetright (148) | 166 | +1 |
| Celsis International (100) | 101 | ... |
| Court Cavendish (225) | 197 | +1 |
| Creston Warrants | 7 | ... |
| Devro International (170) | 194 | +1 |
| *Eaglet Inv Trust* | 97 | ... |
| Eaglet Inv Warrants | 34 | +1 |
| Enviromed (110) | 115 | ... |
| *Eurotunnel Wrrnts 1993* | 18½ | +1½ |
| Field Group (250) | 288 | -1 |
| Fine Decor (210) | 261 | ... |
| *Finsbury Smlr Co's C* | 149 | ... |
| Nrthrn Ireland Elec (100) | 138 | ... |

UNIT-LINKED INSURANCE INVESTMENTS

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **AEGON LIFE ASSURANCE** Aegon House, Lanark Square, London E14 9XS 071 538 8800 | | | | |
| Series Mngd Fd | 393.80 | 415.70 | -1.70 | ... |
| Series Equity | 493.30 | 522.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Series Prop Fd | 394.90 | 417.90 | +1.10 | ... |
| Series Fixed Int | 313.90 | 332.20 | -1.20 | ... |
| Series Money Fd | 240.50 | 254.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| Series Overs Fd | 298.10 | 315.50 | -7.70 | ... |
| **AETNA LIFE INSURANCE** 2-12 Pentonville Road, London N1 9XD 0800 010575 | | | | |
| Life Funds | | | | |
| Squirrel | 17.24 | 18.15 | +0.01 | ... |
| Bear | 18.14 | 19.10 | +0.01 | ... |
| Owl | 17.83 | 18.77 | +0.06 | ... |
| Bull | 16.13 | 16.98 | -0.05 | ... |
| Stag | 17.07 | 17.97 | -0.06 | ... |
| Gilt Edged | 18.05 | 18.05 | -0.06 | ... |
| Deposit | 15.20 | 15.20 | +0.01 | ... |
| Pensions | | | | |
| Squirrel | 22.95 | 24.16 | -0.03 | ... |
| Bear | 24.05 | 25.32 | -0.01 | ... |
| Owl | 33.53 | 34.77 | +0.08 | ... |
| Bull | 20.18 | 21.25 | -0.06 | ... |
| Stag | 20.76 | 21.86 | -0.07 | ... |
| Gilt Edged | 22.10 | 22.10 | -0.10 | ... |
| Deposit | 19.25 | 19.25 | +0.02 | ... |
| Pre 1982 Series | | | | |
| 3-Way Fund | 527.56 | 527.57 | -2.26 | ... |
| 1982 Series | | | | |
| UK Equity | 313.78 | 330.30 | -2.13 | ... |
| N Amer Equity | 275.09 | 289.57 | -6.44 | ... |
| Far East Equity | 366.32 | 385.61 | -1.46 | ... |
| Fixed | 282.57 | 297.45 | -0.92 | ... |
| Cash Deposit | 195.59 | 205.89 | +0.15 | ... |
| Property | 122.29 | 128.73 | +2.63 | ... |
| Special Opp | 334.68 | 352.30 | -3.43 | ... |
| Managed | 275.63 | 290.14 | -0.74 | ... |
| Index-Linked Fd | 187.40 | 197.27 | +0.01 | ... |
| **ABBEY LIFE** Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AL 0202 292373 | | | | |
| Property Fd Inc | 253.30 | 266.70 | +0.20 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 445.60 | 469.10 | +0.20 | ... |
| Equity Fd Inc | 151.10 | 159.10 | -0.20 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 196.20 | 206.60 | -0.20 | ... |
| Selective Fd | 442.00 | 465.30 | ... | ... |
| Money Fd | 358.90 | 377.80 | +0.30 | ... |
| Prop Fd Ser 4 | 347.30 | 365.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| Equity Ser 4 | 193.50 | 203.70 | ... | ... |
| Man Ser 4 | 596.60 | 628.00 | -3.00 | ... |
| Conv Ser 4 | 314.50 | 331.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Money Ser 4 | 314.10 | 330.70 | +0.20 | ... |
| Fixed Int Ser 4 | 329.70 | 347.10 | -0.60 | ... |
| American Ser 4 | 472.10 | 497.00 | -13.40 | ... |
| High Inc Ser 4 | 588.70 | 619.70 | -1.70 | ... |
| Indexed Inv Ser 4 | 201.70 | 212.40 | +0.20 | ... |
| Japan Ser 4 | 357.20 | 376.10 | -8.90 | ... |
| **ALBANY LIFE** 3 Darkes Lane, Potters Bar EN6 1AJ 0707 42311 | | | | |
| Equity Fd Acc | 1399.0 | 1472.6 | -6.10 | ... |
| European Fd Acc | 305.90 | 321.90 | -1.50 | ... |
| Fixed Int Acc | 504.30 | 530.80 | -1.70 | ... |
| Gtd Money Acc | 319.60 | 336.40 | +0.30 | ... |
| Intl Managed Acc | 530.60 | 558.50 | -5.80 | ... |
| Int Fxd Int Acc | 318.30 | 335.00 | -3.60 | ... |
| Japan Fund | 290.60 | 305.80 | -6.30 | ... |
| N American Acc | 299.20 | 314.90 | -6.90 | ... |
| Prop Fd Acc | 369.60 | 389.00 | +0.50 | ... |
| Multiple Inv Acc | 938.60 | 988.00 | -5.30 | ... |
| **ALLIED DUNBAR ASSURANCE** Swindon SN1 1EL 0793 514514 | | | | |
| Fxd Int Dep Acc | 355.70 | 374.50 | +0.30 | ... |
| Equity Acc | 1236.1 | 1301.2 | -6.10 | ... |
| Property Acc | 474.80 | 499.80 | +0.30 | ... |
| Far East Acc | 258.40 | 272.00 | -4.20 | ... |
| Managed Capital | 483.80 | 509.30 | -2.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 959.10 | 1009.6 | -3.90 | ... |
| Overseas Acc | 829.80 | 873.50 | -2.60 | ... |
| Gilt Edged Acc | 447.40 | 471.00 | -1.30 | ... |
| Amer Equity Acc | 705.20 | 742.40 | -6.90 | ... |
| Amer Man Acc | 302.70 | 318.70 | -3.80 | ... |
| Amer Prop Acc | 116.00 | 122.20 | -1.50 | ... |
| **AXA EQUITY & LAW LIFE ASSURANCE** Amersham Road, High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 463463 | | | | |
| Reserve Ser 5 | 136.70 | 143.80 | -0.20 | ... |
| Balced Ser 5 | 617.70 | 650.20 | -5.60 | ... |
| Opportunity Ser 5 | 140.00 | 147.30 | -0.90 | ... |
| UK Equities Ser 5 | 841.70 | 886.00 | +3.10 | ... |
| Higher Inc Ser 5 | 899.00 | 946.30 | -2.20 | ... |
| North Amer Ser 5 | 412.70 | 434.40 | -9.90 | ... |
| Far East Ser 5 | 488.80 | 514.50 | -16.00 | ... |
| Europe Ser 5 | 306.80 | 322.90 | -3.40 | ... |
| Intnl Ser 5 | 493.70 | 519.60 | -12.40 | ... |
| Property Ser 5 | 456.40 | 480.40 | +0.60 | ... |
| Fixed Int Ser 5 | 394.30 | 415.00 | -1.80 | ... |
| Ind-Lnkd Ser 5 | 175.80 | 185.00 | +0.50 | ... |
| Gtecd Dep Ser 5 | 283.70 | 298.60 | +0.30 | ... |
| **BARCLAYS LIFE** 252 Romford Road, London E7 9JB 081 534 5544 | | | | |
| Equity Acc | 741.20 | 780.30 | +0.80 | ... |
| -do- Initial | 514.60 | 541.70 | +0.50 | ... |
| Gilt Edged Acc | 370.60 | 390.20 | -1.60 | ... |
| -do- Initial | 259.60 | 273.30 | -1.10 | ... |
| International Acc | 358.70 | 377.60 | -5.70 | ... |
| -do- Initial | 249.60 | 262.80 | -3.90 | ... |
| Managed Acc | 466.50 | 491.10 | -1.80 | ... |
| -do- Initial | 325.20 | 342.40 | -1.30 | ... |
| Money Acc | 278.70 | 293.40 | +0.20 | ... |
| Property Acc | 246.80 | 259.80 | +0.30 | ... |
| -do- Initial | 170.70 | 179.70 | +0.10 | ... |
| America Acc | 270.00 | 284.30 | -7.30 | ... |
| Australia Acc | 182.50 | 192.20 | -3.40 | ... |
| Financial Acc | 284.80 | 299.80 | -3.80 | ... |
| 500 Acc | 402.50 | 423.70 | -0.40 | ... |
| Japan Genl Acc | 362.70 | 381.80 | -11.90 | ... |
| Income Acc | 472.80 | 497.70 | +1.80 | ... |
| Leisure Acc | 191.10 | 201.20 | +0.90 | ... |
| Special Sits Acc | 202.30 | 213.40 | -0.30 | ... |
| Unit Trust Acc | 135.60 | 142.80 | -1.80 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BLACK HORSE LIFE** Mountbatten House, Chatham, Kent ME4 4JF 0634 834000 | | | | |
| The Managed Fd | 714.43 | 714.43 | -4.28 | ... |
| Income Fund | 681.58 | 717.46 | -1.39 | ... |
| Extra Income | 626.07 | 659.03 | -2.70 | ... |
| Worldwide Gth | 439.49 | 462.63 | -6.37 | ... |
| Balanced Fund | 584.40 | 615.16 | -4.85 | ... |
| Smllr Cos Recov | 595.03 | 626.35 | -2.23 | ... |
| N Amer & Genrl | 354.27 | 372.92 | -7.04 | ... |
| Pacific Basin | 346.21 | 364.44 | -1.53 | ... |
| German Growth | 200.32 | 210.87 | -2.51 | ... |
| *Japan Growth* | 172.41 | 181.49 | -2.36 | ... |
| The UK Gth Fd | 185.19 | 194.94 | -1.25 | ... |
| Contl Euro Gth | 105.10 | 110.64 | -1.03 | ... |
| Property Fund | 344.50 | 362.64 | +0.31 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 299.12 | 314.87 | +1.53 | ... |
| *Cash Fund* | 271.41 | 285.70 | +0.14 | ... |
| Managed Inv | 435.92 | 458.87 | -2.86 | ... |
| Nth Amer Recov | 235.24 | 247.63 | -7.53 | ... |
| Abtrust Fund | | | | |
| Managed Grth | 402.16 | 423.33 | -2.04 | ... |
| **BRITANNIA LIFE ASSURANCE** PO Box 37, Greenock, Renfrewshire 0475 868800 | | | | |
| Measured Perf | 143.70 | 152.00 | -0.80 | ... |
| *Performance Plus* | 138.40 | 146.40 | -1.00 | ... |
| With Profit Perf | 162.80 | 172.20 | +0.10 | ... |
| UK Opportunity | 158.40 | 167.60 | -2.10 | ... |
| Euro Opportunity | 179.70 | 190.10 | -1.90 | ... |
| North Amer Opp | 139.30 | 147.40 | -1.80 | ... |
| Far East Opp | 161.70 | 171.10 | -0.30 | ... |
| Gwth Prop Ser 1 | 146.30 | 153.90 | ... | ... |
| Gth Prop Ser 2 | 152.50 | 161.20 | +0.50 | ... |
| Fixed Int | 176.70 | 186.90 | -2.60 | ... |
| Cash | 149.70 | 158.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| Overseas | 161.30 | 170.60 | ... | ... |
| **CANADA LIFE** 24 High Street, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 5BA 0707 51122 | | | | |
| Equity Growth | £238.60 | ... | ... | ... |
| Managed | 295.30 | 310.90 | -1.20 | ... |
| Property | 196.70 | 207.10 | +0.10 | ... |
| Gilt & Fxd Int | 229.40 | 241.50 | -0.90 | ... |
| Index-Linked | 180.90 | 190.40 | -0.20 | ... |
| Equity | 322.30 | 339.30 | -0.80 | ... |
| Cash | 209.20 | 220.20 | ... | ... |
| CLife Euro Mgd | 312.90 | 329.40 | -2.50 | ... |
| CLife Intl Fd | 335.90 | 353.70 | -4.30 | ... |
| **CANNON ASSURANCE** 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876 | | | | |
| Equity Units | £110.30 | ... | +0.30 | ... |
| Property Units | £25.74 | | | |
| Bal Bd Exec Unit | £59.17 | £62.61 | -0.41 | ... |
| 2nd Equity Acc | 559.50 | 592.10 | -1.30 | ... |
| 2nd High Inc Ac | 544.10 | 575.80 | -0.10 | ... |
| 2nd Property Acc | 236.00 | 249.70 | | |
| 2nd Mngd 2 Acc | 171.90 | 181.90 | -1.40 | ... |
| 2nd Mngd 3 Acc | 421.30 | 445.80 | -2.70 | ... |
| 2nd Mngd 4 Acc | 204.50 | 216.40 | -1.70 | ... |
| 2nd Deposit Acc | 269.40 | 285.10 | -0.20 | ... |
| 2nd Gilt Acc | 285.00 | 301.60 | -0.40 | ... |
| 2nd Amer Acc | 614.20 | 649.90 | -11.60 | ... |
| 2nd Intl Mny Acc | 252.50 | 267.20 | -1.60 | ... |
| 2nd Index Acc | 189.00 | 200.00 | -0.30 | ... |
| 2nd Far East Acc | 392.90 | 415.80 | -9.30 | ... |
| 2nd Global Acc | 158.70 | 167.90 | -2.60 | ... |
| 2nd Euro Acc | 138.20 | 146.20 | -0.90 | ... |
| 2nd Japan Acc | 208.60 | 220.70 | -3.30 | ... |
| 2nd Heritage Acc | 68.40 | 72.40 | ... | ... |
| *2nd Int Cu Bd Ac* | 154.60 | 163.60 | -2.30 | ... |
| 2nd Cap Gth Acc | 112.80 | 119.40 | -0.20 | ... |
| **CITY OF WESTMINSTER ASSURANCE** Scotty House, 500 Avebury Blvd, Milton Keynes MK9 2NU. 0908 606101 | | | | |
| Property Fund | 176.80 | 186.20 | ... | ... |
| Managed Fund | 529.90 | 557.80 | -0.90 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 300.50 | 316.40 | -1.00 | ... |
| **CLERICAL MEDICAL/FIDELITY INVESTMENTS** Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH. 0272 290566 | | | | |
| Assurance Funds | | | | |
| Sapphire Mixed | 254.70 | 268.20 | -2.30 | ... |
| Ruby | 146.50 | 154.30 | -2.70 | ... |
| Emerald | 137.00 | 144.30 | -0.37 | ... |
| Equity | 287.20 | 302.40 | -0.80 | ... |
| Property | 182.00 | 191.60 | -3.30 | ... |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 198.90 | 209.40 | -0.40 | ... |
| Indexed Secs | 160.40 | 168.90 | -0.60 | ... |
| Cash | 178.90 | 188.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| Nth American | 200.40 | 211.00 | -3.40 | ... |
| Far East | 256.10 | 269.60 | -5.30 | ... |
| International | 207.00 | 217.90 | -4.30 | ... |
| Special Sits | 278.40 | 293.10 | -2.90 | ... |
| Intl Income | 257.90 | 271.50 | -1.50 | ... |
| American Inc | 176.30 | 185.60 | -1.50 | ... |
| European | 252.40 | 265.70 | -4.10 | ... |
| Japanese | 150.40 | 158.40 | -5.30 | ... |
| SE Asia | 274.90 | 289.40 | -4.20 | ... |
| With Profits Reg | 148.90 | 156.80 | -0.20 | ... |
| -do- Spec | 148.90 | 156.80 | +0.20 | ... |
| Flexible Retirement Plans Funds | | | | |
| Mixed | 279.30 | 294.10 | -1.40 | ... |
| Equity | 324.90 | 342.00 | +0.90 | ... |
| Property | 172.30 | 181.40 | -0.70 | ... |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 237.40 | 249.90 | -1.90 | ... |
| Index Linked | 168.50 | 177.40 | -0.50 | ... |
| Cash | 234.70 | 247.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Nth American | 249.20 | 262.40 | -4.90 | ... |
| Far East Acc | 306.40 | 322.60 | -8.50 | ... |
| International Acc | 259.00 | 272.70 | -4.90 | ... |
| Special Sits | 416.80 | 438.80 | -1.90 | ... |
| European Flex | 341.40 | 359.40 | -3.10 | ... |
| **COLONIAL MUTUAL GROUP** Colonial Mutual House, Chatham Maritime, Kent ME4 4YY. 0634 890 000 | | | | |
| (Units) Key | £207.31 | ... | ... | ... |
| -do- Pacemaker | £286.94 | | | |
| -do- Cash | 196.27 | 206.60 | +0.12 | ... |
| -do- Equity | 479.53 | 504.77 | -0.22 | ... |
| -do- Fxd Int | 347.87 | 366.18 | +1.26 | ... |
| -do- Managed | 348.65 | 367.00 | +0.04 | ... |
| -do- Property | 281.48 | 296.29 | +8.49 | ... |
| (Pens) Cash Cap | 205.77 | 216.61 | +0.06 | ... |
| -do- Cash Inv | 287.11 | 302.23 | +0.29 | ... |
| -do- Equity Cap | 1274.6 | 1341.7 | +4.24 | ... |
| -do- Equity Inv | 1778.5 | 1872.1 | -4.66 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| -do- Fixed Cap | 378.83 | 398.78 | -0.26 | ... |
| -do- Fixed Inv | 528.57 | 556.40 | +0.01 | ... |
| -do- Index Cap | 203.58 | 214.30 | -0.05 | ... |
| -do- Index Inv | 284.05 | 299.01 | +0.13 | ... |
| Mngd Cap | 517.16 | 544.39 | -1.84 | ... |
| Mngd Inv | 721.58 | 759.57 | -2.05 | ... |
| **COMMERCIAL UNION** St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3. 071 283 7500 | | | | |
| Var Ann Acc (5) | £603.08 | ... | -3.71 | ... |
| Var Ann (5) | 183.07 | ... | -0.42 | ... |
| Prime: Managed | 356.80 | 375.60 | -1.00 | ... |
| *Prime: UK Equity* | 423.70 | 446.00 | +0.90 | ... |
| Prime: Int Equity | 269.50 | 283.70 | -4.20 | ... |
| Prime: Property | 196.50 | 206.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| Prime: Fxd Int | 232.60 | 244.90 | -0.90 | ... |
| Prime: Index-Lnk | 166.10 | 174.90 | +0.70 | ... |
| *Prime: Cash* | 196.50 | 206.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| **CONFEDERATION LIFE** Lytton Way, Stevenage, Herts SG1 2NN 0438 744840 | | | | |
| *Managed Fund* | 1021.4 | 1075.1 | +1.40 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 1443.6 | 1519.6 | -5.20 | ... |
| **CROWN FINANCIAL** Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW 0483 715033 | | | | |
| Life Mangd Acc | 531.00 | 558.90 | -2.00 | ... |
| Life Fxd Int Acc | 351.80 | 370.30 | -1.20 | ... |
| Life Equity Acc | 721.80 | 759.70 | -0.10 | ... |
| Life Money Acc | 290.00 | 305.20 | +0.20 | ... |
| Life Inv Tst Acc | 679.50 | 715.20 | -3.70 | ... |
| Life Intl Acc | 464.70 | 489.10 | -7.60 | ... |
| Life High Inc Acc | 698.40 | 735.10 | -2.20 | ... |
| Life Property Acc | 210.70 | 221.70 | -0.30 | ... |
| Crown Brit Inv A | 1138.3 | ... | ... | ... |
| Brewin Equity | 621.70 | 654.40 | +2.60 | ... |
| Life Equity Acc | 234.00 | 246.30 | ... | ... |
| **EAGLE STAR LIFE ASSURANCE** Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ. 0242 221311 | | | | |
| Secure Fund | 167.70 | 176.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| Blue Chip Fund | 221.00 | 232.70 | -2.70 | ... |
| -do- Series 2 | 142.00 | 149.50 | -1.70 | ... |
| Adventurous Fd | 188.70 | 198.70 | -4.50 | ... |
| -do- Series 2 | 141.90 | 149.40 | -3.30 | ... |
| Performance Fd | 229.00 | 241.10 | -4.60 | ... |
| -do- Series 2 | 148.20 | 156.10 | -3.00 | ... |
| UK Pref Fxd Int | 139.70 | 147.10 | -0.40 | ... |
| UK Equity Fund | 139.90 | 147.30 | -0.30 | ... |
| Property Fund | 103.40 | 108.90 | -0.10 | ... |
| *Environmtl Opps* | 138.30 | 145.60 | -0.60 | ... |
| Euro Fund | 146.10 | 153.80 | -1.50 | ... |
| North Amer Fd | 177.10 | 186.50 | -5.10 | ... |
| Oriental Ops | 160.10 | 168.60 | -0.80 | ... |
| Japanese Fund | 125.60 | 132.30 | -3.20 | ... |
| Bd & West Life | 115.90 | 122.10 | -0.10 | ... |
| Bd & West Pen | 126.70 | 133.40 | -0.20 | ... |
| **EAGLE STAR/MIDLAND** 60 St Mary Axe, London EC3. 071 929 1111 | | | | |
| Eagle/Mid Uts | 241.60 | 250.40 | -1.90 | 3.66 |
| **FRIENDS' PROVIDENT** Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts SP1 3SH 0722 413366 | | | | |
| Managed (Mixed) | 272.10 | 286.50 | -1.10 | ... |
| UK Equity | 361.70 | 380.80 | -0.10 | ... |
| Stewardship | 311.60 | 328.00 | -2.10 | ... |
| Overseas Equity | 243.60 | 256.50 | -4.10 | ... |
| North American | 134.20 | 141.30 | -3.60 | ... |
| Pacific Basin | 135.70 | 142.90 | -3.30 | ... |
| *European* | 171.50 | 180.60 | -1.90 | ... |
| Property | 188.30 | 198.30 | +0.20 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 217.00 | 228.50 | ... | ... |
| Index Linked | 158.60 | 167.00 | +0.40 | ... |
| Cash | 191.40 | 201.50 | +0.20 | ... |
| **GT UNIT MANAGERS LTD** Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, Lond EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567 | | | | |
| GT Plan Far East | 307.50 | 323.70 | -6.30 | ... |
| GT Plan Wwide | 445.70 | 469.20 | -7.20 | ... |
| **GENERAL ACCIDENT** 2 Rougier Street, York YO1 1HR. 0904 628982 | | | | |
| Managed | 182.20 | 191.70 | -0.50 | ... |
| Unitised Profit | 123.00 | 129.40 | +0.20 | ... |
| UK Equity | 244.60 | 257.40 | +0.60 | ... |
| Fixed Int | 186.00 | 195.70 | -0.40 | ... |
| Index-Linked | 159.40 | 167.70 | -0.60 | ... |
| Cash Deposit | 167.60 | 176.30 | +0.10 | ... |
| Property | 164.70 | 173.30 | +0.10 | ... |
| International | 163.20 | 171.80 | -1.40 | ... |
| American | 147.00 | 154.70 | -3.10 | ... |
| Japan | 246.80 | 259.70 | -5.10 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 253.10 | 266.30 | -5.30 | ... |
| European | 155.70 | 163.90 | -0.90 | ... |
| Pacific Fund | 216.80 | 228.10 | -1.00 | ... |
| Conv Life | 129.30 | 136.00 | -0.60 | ... |
| **GENERAL PORTFOLIO LIFE** Gen Portfolio House, Harlow, Essex CM20 2EW. 0279 626262 | | | | |
| Portfolio Acc | 641.40 | 643.40 | -5.10 | ... |
| -do- Inv A | 643.50 | 677.30 | -5.30 | ... |
| UK Equity | 365.50 | 384.80 | -0.90 | ... |
| Gilt Plus | 200.90 | 211.60 | -1.30 | ... |
| Managed | 281.20 | 296.10 | -2.30 | ... |
| Inter Man | 252.80 | 266.10 | -3.30 | ... |
| **GRESHAM UNIT** 24 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth [illegible] | | | | |
| Managed Bond | 641.70 | 676.30 | -3.60 | ... |
| Money Fund | 303.50 | 319.50 | -0.30 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 549.40 | 578.40 | +0.70 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 271.30 | 285.80 | +1.00 | ... |
| Property Fund | 337.20 | 355.30 | | |
| Gresham Framlington | | | | |
| American & Gnrl | 513.50 | 541.10 | -17.10 | ... |
| Income | 666.60 | 702.40 | -14.40 | ... |
| International Gth | 548.70 | 578.20 | -14.20 | ... |
| Capital Fund | 562.00 | 592.30 | -4.40 | ... |
| Recovery Fund | 558.40 | 588.40 | -11.50 | ... |
| Japan & General | 272.70 | 287.40 | -7.00 | ... |
| **GUARDIAN ROYAL EXCHANGE** Royal Exchange, London EC3. 071 283 7101 | | | | |
| Ass Prop Bds | 646.80 | 673.70 | ... | ... |
| Managed Initial | 421.20 | 443.40 | -0.90 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 582.40 | 613.10 | -0.40 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Equity Initial | 608.90 | 641.00 | +0.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 842.00 | 886.30 | +0.50 | ... |
| Fixed Int Initial | 423.70 | 446.00 | +2.00 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 585.90 | 616.70 | +3.00 | ... |
| Intl Initial | 417.00 | 438.90 | -6.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 576.60 | 606.90 | -8.50 | ... |
| Nth Amer Initial | 173.90 | 183.50 | -4.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 218.10 | 229.60 | -5.40 | ... |
| Pacific Initial | 226.10 | 238.00 | -3.80 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 281.90 | 296.70 | -4.60 | ... |
| Property Initial | 150.40 | 158.30 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 207.70 | 218.60 | ... | ... |
| Index-Lnkd Init | 157.30 | 165.50 | +0.50 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 197.90 | 208.30 | +0.70 | ... |
| Deposit Initial | 193.60 | 203.80 | | |
| -do- Acc | 267.70 | 281.80 | +0.20 | ... |
| Euro Initial | 83.10 | 87.50 | -0.90 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 96.70 | 101.80 | -1.00 | ... |
| **HAMBRO GUARDIAN ASSURANCE** Kingsgate, 1 King Edward Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4HG. 0277 200939 | | | | |
| *Managed* | 146.70 | 154.40 | -0.20 | ... |
| -do- Pens | 174.60 | 183.70 | -0.30 | ... |
| UK Equity | 145.00 | 152.60 | -0.30 | ... |
| -do- Pens | 159.80 | 168.20 | -0.50 | ... |
| International | 130.80 | 137.60 | -1.50 | ... |
| *-do- Pens* | 141.40 | 148.80 | -2.00 | ... |
| Deposit | 134.60 | 141.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| -do- Pens | 156.60 | 164.80 | -0.20 | ... |
| **HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION** 3 Finsbury Avenue, London EC2M 2PA 071 638 5757 | | | | |
| UK Equity Fd | 345.00 | 364.90 | -0.20 | ... |
| North America | 314.30 | 334.40 | -12.00 | ... |
| Far East Fund | 524.20 | 551.70 | -8.20 | ... |
| Global Managed | 411.51 | 437.60 | -1.90 | ... |
| Deposit Fund | 219.80 | 231.40 | | |
| Prime Residential | 124.70 | 131.30 | | |
| European Fund | 220.90 | 235.00 | -2.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 68.50 | 72.90 | -0.70 | ... |
| **HILL SAMUEL LIFE** NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon 081 686 4355 | | | | |
| Security Fund | 434.90 | 491.30 | +1.10 | ... |
| British Fund | 457.60 | 484.30 | -0.30 | ... |
| International | 462.50 | 489.50 | -6.20 | ... |
| Dollar Fund | 334.50 | 358.30 | -7.40 | ... |
| Capital Fund | 414.20 | 438.40 | -1.10 | ... |
| Income Fund | 523.90 | 560.20 | +0.30 | ... |
| Property Series A | 384.60 | 407.00 | | |
| Property Units | 623.40 | 654.60 | | |
| Financial Fund | 495.70 | 524.80 | -9.50 | ... |
| Managed Ser A | 484.90 | 513.20 | -1.20 | ... |
| -do- C | 275.90 | 292.00 | | |
| Managed Units | 866.50 | 912.20 | -2.20 | ... |
| *High Yield Fund* | 567.00 | 638.10 | -3.20 | ... |
| Money Series A | 275.50 | 291.60 | +0.20 | ... |
| Money Units | 363.30 | 382.40 | +0.40 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 545.70 | 577.50 | -1.80 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 359.70 | 380.70 | -0.70 | ... |
| Indexed Secs | 175.30 | 186.60 | +0.70 | ... |
| European Fund | 633.70 | 673.60 | +0.20 | ... |
| Natural Res | 262.70 | 278.00 | -4.40 | ... |
| Far East Fund | 563.20 | 596.00 | -8.40 | ... |
| Smaller Cos | 423.50 | 448.20 | -2.40 | ... |
| Special Sits | 403.60 | 426.10 | -1.10 | ... |
| Man Currency | 252.40 | 267.10 | -1.00 | ... |
| Japanese Tech | 260.10 | 275.30 | -7.20 | ... |
| US Smaller Cos | 209.60 | 222.60 | -2.50 | ... |
| **IRISH LIFE ASSURANCE** Irish Life Centre, Victoria Street, St Albans, Herts AL1 3TF. 0727 69191 | | | | |
| Global Managed | 458.90 | 514.50 | -1.50 | ... |
| Global Property | 257.90 | 271.40 | | |
| Global Fixed Int | 496.50 | 512.10 | -1.10 | ... |
| *Global Equity* | 514.30 | 541.40 | -0.90 | ... |
| Global Cash | 204.20 | 214.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| **LAURENTIAN LIFE** Barnwood, Gloucester GL4 7RZ 0452 371371 | | | | |
| Gtd Mgd | 462.40 | 496.70 | +1.20 | ... |
| Property | 424.70 | 446.30 | +11.90 | ... |
| Managed | 375.20 | 394.90 | -3.20 | ... |
| American | 374.70 | 394.40 | -12.40 | ... |
| UK Equity Fd | 399.70 | 420.70 | -2.30 | ... |
| Japan | 200.00 | 211.10 | -7.30 | ... |
| Index-Lkd | 179.60 | 189.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| High Yield | 759.90 | 799.90 | -1.10 | ... |
| Growth Cap | 417.40 | 439.40 | -0.80 | ... |
| Money | 395.60 | 416.90 | +0.30 | ... |
| International | 353.10 | 371.70 | -7.00 | ... |
| Henderson Acme | 196.80 | 207.20 | -1.40 | ... |
| Perpetual Acme | 286.80 | 301.90 | -2.80 | ... |
| Growth Cap | 417.40 | 439.40 | -0.80 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 558.30 | 615.80 | -4.20 | ... |
| **LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT ASSURANCE** 2 Montefiore Road, Hove, Sussex BN3 1SE 0273 824000 | | | | |
| B Soc Lnkd Init | 134.90 | 142.10 | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 176.30 | 187.70 | +0.10 | ... |
| Brit Opps Init | 122.70 | 134.50 | -0.20 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 151.30 | 159.90 | -0.30 | ... |
| Cash Initial | 166.90 | 175.70 | +0.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 275.40 | 289.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| Equity Initial | 596.10 | 617.00 | +0.70 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 966.90 | 1017.8 | +1.30 | ... |
| Fixed Initial | 349.30 | 366.40 | -0.60 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 574.10 | 604.40 | -0.90 | ... |
| Index-Lnkd Gilt | 184.10 | 193.20 | +0.20 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 188.70 | 198.70 | +0.20 | ... |
| Intl Initial | 316.60 | 333.30 | -5.40 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 514.10 | 541.20 | -8.80 | ... |
| Managed Initial | 455.90 | 479.80 | -1.80 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 719.90 | 756.80 | -2.90 | ... |
| Property Initial | 197.00 | 209.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 313.30 | 329.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| **LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND** 113 Dundas Street, Edinburgh EH3 5EB 031 550 5000 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 310.90 | 326.80 | -2.30 | ... |
| UK Equity | 524.80 | 552.50 | -0.60 | ... |
| Property | 229.30 | 241.00 | -0.20 | ... |
| Money Market | 242.00 | 254.80 | +0.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 304.20 | 320.30 | +0.40 | ... |
| Japan | 396.30 | 417.20 | -18.00 | ... |
| North America | 150.00 | 157.90 | -5.90 | ... |
| International | 270.30 | 284.60 | -5.20 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| European | 239.90 | 252.60 | -0.70 | ... |
| Far East | 122.30 | 128.80 | -2.40 | ... |
| **LONDON LIFE** 100 Temple Street, Bristol BS1 6EA 0272 279179 | | | | |
| Equity | £801.50 | ... | -1.40 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | £388.20 | ... | -1.80 | ... |
| Property | £344.70 | ... | +0.40 | ... |
| Deposit | £278.70 | ... | +0.20 | ... |
| Mixed | £529.40 | ... | -1.40 | ... |
| Indexed Stock | £204.50 | ... | -0.10 | ... |
| International | £260.90 | ... | -1.50 | ... |
| Equity A | £196.40 | ... | -0.30 | ... |
| Fixed Int A | £172.60 | ... | -0.80 | ... |
| Property A | £151.80 | ... | +0.10 | ... |
| Deposit A | £164.20 | ... | +0.10 | ... |
| Mixed A | £174.40 | ... | -0.50 | ... |
| Index Stock A | £160.40 | ... | -0.10 | ... |
| International A | £163.30 | ... | -1.00 | ... |
| Equity P | £649.20 | ... | -1.10 | ... |
| Fixed Int P | £500.80 | ... | -2.60 | ... |
| Property P | £273.80 | ... | +0.10 | ... |
| Deposit P | £323.90 | ... | +0.30 | ... |
| Mixed P | £478.70 | ... | -1.50 | ... |
| Index Stock P | £233.80 | ... | -0.10 | ... |
| International P | £296.70 | ... | -2.20 | ... |
| **LONDON & MANCHESTER ASSURANCE** Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS. 0392 282456 | | | | |
| Inv Trust Cap | £543.60 | ... | -1.80 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £855.50 | ... | -2.10 | ... |
| Property Cap | £156.20 | ... | -0.20 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £238.20 | ... | -0.10 | ... |
| Fxd Interest Cap | £200.10 | ... | -0.70 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £305.70 | ... | -0.90 | ... |
| Equity Cap | £295.70 | ... | -1.60 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £456.80 | ... | -2.10 | ... |
| Internatl Cap | £222.20 | ... | -2.70 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £340.10 | ... | -3.70 | ... |
| Gtd Deposit Cap | £169.70 | ... | -0.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £256.70 | ... | +0.10 | ... |
| Flexible Cap | £327.30 | ... | -2.00 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £504.50 | ... | -2.70 | ... |
| Moneymaker Fd | £397.60 | ... | -1.90 | ... |
| Capital Growth | £1459.4 | ... | -7.60 | ... |
| **M & G** Victoria Road, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 1FB 0245 266266 | | | | |
| Amer Bond Acc | 379.40 | 398.40 | -12.10 | ... |
| Amer Rec Bond | 442.70 | 464.90 | -8.50 | ... |
| Am Smlr Cos Bd | 216.80 | 227.70 | -7.60 | ... |
| Australasia Bd | 197.20 | 207.20 | -4.10 | ... |
| Commodity Bond | 249.30 | 261.80 | -8.30 | ... |
| Deposit Bond Acc | 346.70 | 364.20 | +0.30 | ... |
| Equity Bond Acc | 1283.8 | 1348.1 | -7.20 | ... |
| *European Bd Acc* | 301.37 | 316.30 | -6.40 | ... |
| Extra Yld Bd Acc | 635.20 | 667.10 | -1.20 | ... |
| Far East Bd Acc | 267.40 | 280.90 | -4.00 | ... |
| Gilt Bond Acc | 422.00 | 443.20 | +0.30 | ... |
| Gold Bond Acc | 140.80 | 148.00 | -10.50 | ... |
| High Yield Bond | 316.00 | 331.90 | -0.50 | ... |
| Index-Lnk Gt Bd | 202.60 | 212.80 | | |
| International Bd | 669.40 | 703.00 | -13.20 | ... |
| Japan Bond Acc | 276.70 | 290.60 | -5.10 | ... |
| Japan Sm Cos Ac | 251.60 | 264.30 | -3.20 | ... |
| Managed Bonds | 785.90 | 825.30 | +3.10 | ... |
| Prop Bond Acc | 300.00 | 315.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Rec Bond Acc | 659.80 | 692.90 | -3.30 | ... |
| **MGM ASSURANCE** MGM House, Heene Road, Worthing BN11 2DY. 0903 204631 | | | | |
| UK Equity | 205.80 | 216.70 | -0.30 | ... |
| UK Equity Acc | 276.80 | 291.40 | -0.10 | ... |
| Special Sits | 86.60 | 91.20 | +0.60 | ... |
| Special Sits Acc | 116.60 | 122.80 | -1.10 | ... |
| North American | 175.40 | 184.70 | -4.60 | ... |
| N American Acc | 236.00 | 248.50 | -6.00 | ... |
| Pacific Basin | 336.70 | 354.50 | -5.10 | ... |
| Pacific Basin Acc | 452.80 | 476.70 | -6.60 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 286.60 | 301.70 | -1.40 | ... |
| Fixed Interest Acc | 385.90 | 406.30 | -1.50 | ... |
| Property | 152.50 | 160.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| Property Acc | 205.30 | 216.20 | +0.30 | ... |
| Deposit | 151.80 | 159.80 | | |
| Deposit Acc | 204.80 | 215.60 | -0.10 | ... |
| Managed | 238.60 | 251.20 | -1.40 | ... |
| Managed Acc | 295.90 | 311.50 | -1.40 | ... |
| **MANULIFE GROUP** St Georges Way, Stevenage, Herts 0438 356101 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 635.30 | 668.70 | -2.80 | ... |
| Property Fund | 477.30 | 502.40 | +0.60 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 776.10 | 816.90 | -0.60 | ... |
| Gilt Edged Fd | 582.60 | 613.30 | +0.50 | ... |
| Deposit Fund | 316.20 | 332.80 | +0.20 | ... |
| Investment Fd | 328.10 | 344.50 | ... | ... |
| International | 522.70 | 550.20 | -10.50 | ... |
| **MERCHANT INVESTORS** 91 Wimpole Street, London W1M 7DA Admin: 0272 266366 Prices: 081 789 2945 or 0272 752297 | | | | |
| Property | 394.00 | 415.60 | +0.90 | ... |
| Equity Bond | 304.40 | 320.40 | -1.40 | ... |
| Money Mrkt Bd | 525.60 | 553.20 | -0.50 | ... |
| Deposit Fund | 362.80 | 381.80 | +0.30 | ... |
| Managed Fund | 430.30 | 452.90 | -0.90 | ... |
| Intl Equity | 512.10 | 539.00 | -4.60 | ... |
| Intl Managed | 479.30 | 504.50 | -3.20 | ... |
| North American | 199.80 | 210.30 | -1.90 | ... |
| Far East | 386.30 | 406.60 | -2.70 | ... |
| Intl Currency | 259.00 | 272.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| **NM LIFE ASSURANCE** Enterprise House, Portsmouth 0705 822733 | | | | |
| Equity | 130.70 | 137.50 | -1.00 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 515.90 | 543.00 | -3.40 | ... |
| Managed | 627.10 | 660.10 | -4.90 | ... |
| *Deposit* | 324.00 | 341.00 | ... | ... |
| Property | 375.80 | 395.50 | +0.90 | ... |
| American | 383.90 | 404.10 | -13.30 | ... |
| Australian | 448.10 | 471.60 | -12.90 | ... |
| European | 456.90 | 480.90 | -6.10 | ... |
| Gilt & Fixed Int | 250.60 | 263.80 | -0.80 | ... |
| Global Managed | 127.10 | 133.70 | -1.00 | ... |
| Income Acc | 699.90 | 736.70 | -0.10 | ... |
| -do- Dist | 436.10 | 459.10 | -0.10 | 5.12 |
| International | 286.50 | 301.50 | -10.50 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Japan Smaller | 499.90 | 526.20 | -11.90 | ... |
| Singapore & Mal | 298.10 | 313.70 | +4.60 | ... |
| Smaller Cos | 340.20 | 358.10 | -3.20 | ... |
| Tokyo Fund | 670.30 | 705.50 | -22.00 | ... |
| UK Equity | 530.30 | 558.20 | -4.30 | ... |
| CCM Mangd Mg | 662.70 | 697.50 | -3.20 | ... |
| Equity Pens Cap | 876.90 | 923.00 | -7.90 | ... |
| **NPI** 48 Gracechurch Street, London EC3P 3HH 071 623 4200 | | | | |
| Managed | 423.60 | 445.90 | -2.90 | ... |
| UK Equity | 521.20 | 548.70 | +0.10 | ... |
| Overseas Equity | 423.80 | 446.20 | -7.70 | ... |
| Americas | 380.90 | 401.00 | -13.70 | ... |
| *Far East* | 464.40 | 488.90 | -12.30 | ... |
| Property | 197.60 | 208.00 | -0.20 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 343.80 | 361.90 | -1.70 | ... |
| Indexed Gilt | 220.40 | 232.00 | +0.60 | ... |
| Deposit | 206.90 | 217.80 | +0.20 | ... |
| **NORWICH UNION LIFE INSURANCE SOCIETY - Ex NUAM Funds** PO Box 140, Norwich NR3 1PP 0603 622200 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 1233.8 | 1298.7 | -3.30 | ... |
| *Eqty Fund* | 2662.4 | 2802.5 | +10.70 | ... |
| Property Fd | 451.70 | 475.50 | +0.60 | ... |
| Fixed Int Fd | 568.90 | 598.80 | -2.80 | ... |
| Deposit Fund | 331.20 | 348.60 | +0.20 | ... |
| Intl Fund | 211.40 | 222.50 | -3.20 | ... |
| **PEARL ASSURANCE** Pearl House, Thorpe Wood, Peterborough PE3 6SA. 0733 65222 | | | | |
| Inv Prop Dist | 144.20 | 151.80 | +1.80 | ... |
| *Prop Acc (Gross)* | 274.40 | 288.80 | +3.40 | ... |
| Inv Equity | 1057.9 | 1113.6 | -2.20 | ... |
| Inv Managed | 744.40 | 783.60 | -3.00 | ... |
| Ret Managed | 822.50 | 865.80 | -4.10 | ... |
| ***PROLIFIC LIFE & PENSIONS LTD*** Stramongate, Kendal, Cumbria LA9 4UB 0539 733733 | | | | |
| Bal Gwth Mngd | 705.10 | 750.20 | -3.10 | ... |
| Cash Fund | 323.70 | 341.20 | +0.30 | ... |
| Property Fund | 222.30 | 236.50 | ... | ... |
| Equity Fund | 810.90 | 862.70 | -8.90 | ... |
| Fxd Interest Fund | 435.30 | 456.70 | +1.40 | ... |
| International | 362.30 | 385.50 | -4.40 | ... |
| High Income | 636.40 | 677.10 | +2.20 | ... |
| Far East | 498.20 | 530.00 | -8.60 | ... |
| North American | 485.30 | 516.30 | -12.00 | ... |
| Special Sits | 563.00 | 599.00 | -5.30 | ... |
| Technology | 465.40 | 495.20 | -10.10 | ... |
| Extra Income Fd | 339.30 | 361.00 | +0.20 | ... |
| Gilt Fund | 456.30 | 485.50 | -3.10 | ... |
| European | 131.20 | 139.60 | -0.70 | ... |
| Adventurous Mg | 186.20 | 196.10 | -2.50 | ... |
| Secure Mgd | 132.90 | 141.40 | -0.30 | ... |
| Equity Inc Dist | 110.60 | 117.70 | -0.30 | 4.72 |
| North American | 104.30 | 111.00 | -1.70 | 5.35 |
| **PROVIDENCE CAPITOL** 2 Bartley Way, Hook, Hants RG27 9XA 0256 768888 | | | | |
| Equity Fund Acc | 264.10 | 278.60 | -0.50 | ... |
| Fxd Interest Acc | 226.40 | 238.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| International Acc | 235.70 | 248.70 | -5.10 | ... |
| Managed Acc | 199.60 | 210.50 | -1.50 | ... |
| Property Acc | 221.10 | 233.30 | ... | ... |
| Money Acc | 147.90 | 155.60 | +0.10 | ... |
| Spec Mkt Acc | 197.30 | 208.20 | -3.10 | ... |
| Japan Equity Acc | 125.80 | 132.80 | -4.50 | ... |
| N Amer Acc | 153.70 | 162.20 | -3.50 | ... |
| Pacific Acc | 141.70 | 149.50 | -2.60 | ... |
| European Acc | 136.70 | 144.30 | -1.40 | ... |
| **PROVIDENT MUTUAL** Wilton Road, Hitchin, Herts SG4 0LP [illegible] | | | | |
| Managed Ord | 418.60 | 440.60 | -1.40 | ... |
| Managed Initial | 295.10 | 310.60 | -1.20 | ... |
| Equity Ord | 652.50 | 655.30 | -1.70 | ... |
| Equity Init | 438.90 | 462.00 | +0.90 | ... |
| I-Linked Gilt Ord | 197.80 | 208.20 | +0.60 | ... |
| I-Linked Gilt Init | 145.60 | 153.30 | +0.40 | ... |
| Overs Equity Ord | 337.50 | 355.30 | -6.20 | ... |
| Overs Equity Init | 237.90 | 250.40 | -4.50 | ... |
| Property Ord | 229.50 | 241.60 | +0.20 | ... |
| Property Init | 161.80 | 170.30 | +0.10 | ... |
| Fixed Int Ord | 267.40 | 281.50 | -1.20 | ... |
| Fixed Int Init | 188.50 | 198.40 | -1.10 | ... |
| *Deposit Ord* | 197.40 | 207.80 | -0.20 | ... |
| Deposit Initial | 139.10 | 146.40 | ... | ... |
| **PRUDENTIAL** Holborn Bars, London EC1N 2NH 071 405 9222 | | | | |
| Managed | 300.00 | 315.70 | -0.90 | ... |
| **PRUDENTIAL INDIVIDUAL LIFE FUNDS** 1 Stephen Street, London W1P 2AP 071 548 3278 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 670.30 | 705.60 | -3.80 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 1293.4 | 1361.5 | -1.80 | ... |
| Intl Fund | 528.60 | 556.50 | -7.70 | ... |
| *Fixed Interest* | 352.80 | 371.90 | -3.30 | ... |
| Property Fund | 376.70 | 396.60 | ... | ... |
| Cash Fund | 350.10 | 368.60 | +0.20 | ... |
| Pacific Basin | 295.60 | 311.20 | -5.90 | ... |
| N American Fd | 213.60 | 224.80 | -5.00 | ... |
| *Euro Fund* | 224.30 | 236.20 | -1.80 | ... |
| Balanced Fund | 135.00 | 142.20 | -0.90 | ... |
| Strategic Fund | 139.60 | 147.00 | -1.00 | ... |
| **ROYAL HERITAGE LIFE ASSURANCE** Peterborough Business Park, Peterborough PE2 6GG. 0733 390000 | | | | |
| Mult Grow (45) | £662.00 | ... | ... | ... |
| -do- Acc | 424.00 | 446.30 | | |
| Op Prop | 417.60 | 439.60 | +1.40 | ... |
| Op Equity | 871.90 | 917.80 | -2.60 | ... |
| Op High Yield | 548.40 | 577.30 | -0.90 | ... |
| Op Managed | 739.20 | 778.20 | -3.70 | ... |
| Op Deposit | 375.90 | 395.70 | -0.30 | ... |
| Amer Smaller | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Extra Inc | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Gold Gen | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| JAE Gth | 287.50 | 302.70 | +0.50 | ... |
| Japan Perf | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Japan Smlr | 253.10 | 266.50 | -1.30 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Natl High | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Prop Shs | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Managed Gth | 230.90 | 243.10 | -5.20 | ... |
| Gilt | 78.70 | 82.90 | -0.50 | ... |
| Amer (35.34) | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| British | 340.00 | 357.80 | +0.60 | ... |
| Global Bond | 115.70 | 121.80 | -1.30 | ... |
| Global (35.34) | 158.00 | 166.40 | -1.50 | ... |
| Gold Share | 74.00 | 77.90 | -2.80 | ... |
| High Income | 276.80 | 291.40 | +0.60 | ... |
| Income | 398.40 | 419.40 | +2.00 | ... |
| Japan | 426.60 | 449.10 | -15.40 | ... |
| UK Smlr Cos | 295.70 | 311.30 | +3.60 | ... |
| Mngd Growth | 411.80 | 433.60 | -0.80 | ... |
| **ROYAL LIFE INSURANCE** New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS 051 239 3000 | | | | |
| Royal Shield Fd | 875.10 | 926.00 | -3.90 | ... |
| Royal Life Unit Linked | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 350.00 | 368.40 | -1.60 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 469.60 | 494.30 | -1.30 | ... |
| Property Fund | 254.10 | 267.40 | -0.10 | ... |
| International | 418.60 | 440.60 | -6.30 | ... |
| Pacific Basin | 266.40 | 280.40 | -6.50 | ... |
| United States | 218.70 | 230.20 | -4.70 | ... |
| Gilt Fund | 344.30 | 362.40 | +1.50 | ... |
| **SAVE & PROSPER** 16-22 Western Road, Romford, Essex RM1 3LB. 0708 766966 | | | | |
| Bal Inv Fund | 669.40 | 708.40 | -6.00 | ... |
| Deposit Fund (2) | 351.90 | 372.40 | +0.30 | ... |
| Gilt Fund | 489.30 | 517.80 | -2.50 | ... |
| Global Equity Fd | 205.90 | 217.90 | -3.10 | ... |
| Property Fund (46) | 89.40 | 94.70 | ... | ... |
| AG Bond Fund | 138.40 | 146.50 | -0.30 | ... |
| **SCOTTISH AMICABLE** 150 St Vincent Street, Glasgow 041 248 2323 | | | | |
| Equity | 507.80 | 534.60 | +1.20 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 347.80 | 366.20 | -1.30 | ... |
| Index-Linked | 190.00 | 200.00 | +0.40 | ... |
| International | 403.50 | 424.80 | +3.50 | ... |
| Property | 243.30 | 256.20 | +0.20 | ... |
| Cash | 220.80 | 232.50 | +0.10 | ... |
| *Managed* | 407.70 | 429.20 | -1.80 | ... |
| Cap Gteed Bd | 98.60 | 103.80 | -0.20 | ... |
| **SCOTTISH EQUITABLE** 28 St Andrew Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YF 031 556 9101 | | | | |
| Cash | 173.21 | 182.39 | +0.12 | ... |
| Index-Linked | 154.50 | 162.60 | +0.30 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 172.80 | 181.90 | -1.00 | ... |
| Mixed | 225.40 | 237.20 | -4.50 | ... |
| UK Equity | 213.20 | 224.40 | -1.40 | ... |
| International | 227.00 | 238.90 | -5.30 | ... |
| American | 233.40 | 245.70 | -6.50 | ... |
| Japan | 244.10 | 256.90 | -7.00 | ... |
| European | 210.30 | 221.30 | -4.90 | ... |
| Pacific | 317.10 | 333.80 | -6.80 | ... |
| Technology | 297.70 | 313.40 | -9.60 | ... |
| Currncy/Currncy | 220.80 | 232.40 | -3.40 | ... |
| **SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS** 19 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 1YE 031 225 2211 | | | | |
| Property | 178.00 | 187.50 | +0.20 | ... |
| UK Equity | 316.10 | 332.90 | +1.00 | ... |
| American | 234.50 | 246.90 | -2.90 | ... |
| Pacific | 311.30 | 327.80 | -5.70 | ... |
| European | 400.90 | 422.10 | -4.70 | ... |
| International | 275.50 | 290.10 | -3.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 232.60 | 244.90 | -1.20 | ... |
| Index Linked | 190.20 | 200.30 | +0.20 | ... |
| Deposit | 185.50 | 195.40 | +0.20 | ... |
| Managed | 254.90 | 268.40 | -0.60 | ... |
| Worldwide | 110.90 | 116.80 | -0.80 | ... |
| Pen Worldwide | 115.80 | 122.00 | -0.90 | ... |
| **SCOTTISH MUTUAL ASSURANCE** 109 St Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6321 | | | | |
| Flex Fund (35) | 1491.8 | 1537.9 | ... | ... |
| Safety Fund | 219.70 | 231.30 | -0.90 | ... |
| Growth Fund | 206.90 | 217.80 | -1.50 | ... |
| Opportunity Fd | 203.90 | 214.70 | -1.50 | ... |
| Cash Fund | 167.10 | 175.90 | +0.10 | ... |
| European Fund | 297.50 | 313.20 | -4.50 | ... |
| Gilts & Fxd Int | 187.80 | 197.70 | -0.70 | ... |
| Index-Linked Fd | 177.80 | 187.20 | -0.60 | ... |
| International Fd | 257.00 | 270.60 | -4.80 | ... |
| North American | 225.70 | 237.60 | -5.40 | ... |
| Property Fund | 116.70 | 122.90 | -0.10 | ... |
| UK Equity | 216.20 | 227.60 | -0.90 | ... |
| UK Smaller | 200.70 | 211.30 | -0.60 | ... |
| ***SCOTTISH PROVIDENT*** 6 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 556 9131 | | | | |
| Mixed | 239.40 | 252.10 | -0.70 | ... |
| Equity | 253.10 | 266.60 | -0.30 | ... |
| International | 248.90 | 262.10 | -2.80 | ... |
| Property | 196.50 | 206.90 | +0.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 211.00 | 222.20 | ... | ... |
| Index Linked | 175.00 | 184.30 | +0.40 | ... |
| Cash | 179.80 | 189.30 | +0.10 | ... |
| **SCOTTISH WIDOWS** PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU 031 655 6000 | | | | |
| Inv Pol 1 | 847.20 | 847.20 | ... | ... |
| Inv Pol 2 | 772.60 | 813.30 | ... | ... |
| Inv Pol 3 | 743.50 | 782.70 | ... | ... |
| Inv Cash | 299.40 | 315.20 | ... | ... |
| Mixed Fund | 404.80 | 426.20 | -3.20 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 471.90 | 496.80 | -2.40 | ... |
| Property Fund | 205.60 | 216.50 | -0.20 | ... |
| International Fd | 425.70 | 448.30 | -9.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest Fd | 355.00 | 373.80 | -1.20 | ... |
| Indexed Stock Fd | 192.80 | 203.10 | -0.50 | ... |
| Cash Fund | 217.90 | 229.50 | +0.10 | ... |
| **SKANDIA LIFE** Skandia House, Portland Terrace, Southampton SO9 7BX 0703 334411 | | | | |
| Managed Acc | 336.20 | 353.80 | -1.70 | ... |
| Equity Acc | 378.10 | 397.90 | -1.20 | ... |
| International Acc | 314.40 | 330.90 | -2.90 | ... |
| Property | 207.40 | 218.30 | +0.20 | ... |
| *Royal Trust Mg* | 214.70 | 226.00 | -1.00 | ... |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO** 3 George Street, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 031 225 2552 | | | | |
| Cash | 257.70 | 271.30 | +0.20 | ... |
| Equity | 880.70 | 927.10 | +0.40 | ... |
| European | 143.50 | 151.10 | -1.60 | ... |
| Far East | 151.80 | 159.80 | -2.40 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 380.30 | 400.40 | -0.50 | ... |
| Index Linked | 200.50 | 211.10 | +0.50 | ... |
| International | 548.60 | 577.50 | -8.20 | ... |
| Managed | 622.20 | 655.00 | -2.20 | ... |
| Nth American | 138.90 | 146.30 | -2.60 | ... |
| Property | 310.80 | 327.20 | +0.40 | ... |
| Pensions | | | | |
| Cash | 395.50 | 416.40 | +0.40 | ... |
| Equity | 1244.7 | 1310.3 | +1.70 | ... |
| European | 169.10 | 178.10 | -2.50 | ... |
| Far East | 119.70 | 126.00 | -1.80 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 507.60 | 534.40 | -0.80 | ... |
| Index Linked | 277.70 | 292.40 | +0.80 | ... |
| International | 783.40 | 825.60 | -13.00 | ... |
| Managed | 858.20 | 903.40 | -2.90 | ... |
| Nth American | 172.50 | 181.60 | -4.30 | ... |
| Property | 395.30 | 416.20 | +1.90 | ... |
| Stock Exchange | 193.80 | 204.00 | -0.80 | ... |
| **SUN ALLIANCE** St Mark's Court, Horsham, Sussex 0403 232323 | | | | |
| Managed Fund | 579.50 | 610.00 | -3.90 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 768.40 | 808.90 | +0.20 | ... |
| Fixed Interest Fd | 399.80 | 420.90 | -1.70 | ... |
| Index-Linked Fd | 295.70 | 311.30 | +0.80 | ... |
| Property Fund | 426.80 | 449.30 | +5.60 | ... |
| International Fd | 561.80 | 591.40 | -10.60 | ... |
| N American Fd | 218.70 | 230.30 | -5.00 | ... |
| Far East Fund | 195.70 | 206.00 | -3.00 | ... |
| Deposit Fund | 282.10 | 297.00 | +0.20 | ... |
| International Bd | £73.99 | ... | -0.35 | ... |
| Worldwide Bond | 158.50 | 166.90 | -2.40 | ... |
| Worldwide Fixed | 79.00 | 83.20 | ... | ... |
| Worldwide Tech | 93.90 | 98.90 | ... | ... |
| European | 137.50 | 144.80 | -2.60 | ... |
| Phoenix Assurance | | | | |
| Wealth Assured | 569.20 | 599.20 | -3.80 | ... |
| Ebor Phoenix Eq | 404.30 | 431.80 | -24.40 | ... |
| Property Growth | | | | |
| Property Fund | £488.10 | ... | +6.00 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £457.80 | ... | +3.60 | ... |
| Agricultural Fd | £763.70 | ... | +2.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £733.70 | ... | +2.00 | ... |
| Abbey Nat Fd | £386.20 | ... | +2.40 | ... |
| *Abbey Nat Acc* | £410.10 | ... | +2.70 | ... |
| Investment Fd | £306.40 | ... | -2.00 | ... |
| Investment (A) | £284.80 | ... | -1.80 | ... |
| Equity | £1110.5 | ... | +0.30 | ... |
| Equity Acc | £1066.7 | ... | +0.40 | ... |
| Money Fund | £447.00 | ... | +0.40 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £428.60 | ... | +0.40 | ... |
| Actuarial Fd | £522.70 | ... | -2.30 | ... |
| Gilt-Edged Fd | £373.00 | ... | -1.40 | ... |
| -do- Acc | £373.00 | ... | -1.40 | ... |
| Retire Annuity | £1002.0 | ... | ... | ... |
| Immed Annuity | £299.00 | ... | ... | ... |
| Bldg Soc Life | £216.30 | ... | +0.20 | ... |
| **SUN LIFE OF CANADA** Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414 | | | | |
| Growth Account | £1272.3 | ... | -8.20 | ... |
| Managed Acc | £754.00 | ... | -1.40 | ... |
| Equity Account | £1047.9 | ... | -10.80 | ... |
| Mngd Fund Acc | 349.50 | 367.90 | -0.60 | ... |
| *Equity Fund Acc* | 461.60 | 485.90 | -5.00 | ... |
| Prop Fund Acc | 222.00 | 233.70 | +0.20 | ... |
| Fixed Int Fd Acc | 295.90 | 311.50 | +3.00 | ... |
| Money Fund Acc | 212.30 | 223.50 | -0.10 | ... |
| Indx-Lnk Scs Ac | 201.40 | 212.00 | +1.10 | ... |
| Pens Pens Acc | £1652.4 | ... | -1.60 | ... |
| Pens Mngd Acc | 768.40 | 808.80 | -0.80 | ... |
| Pens Guarantee | 224.30 | 236.10 | +0.30 | ... |
| Pens Equity | 288.40 | 303.60 | +0.60 | ... |
| Pens Property | 238.70 | 251.20 | +0.40 | ... |
| Pens Fixed Int | 265.60 | 279.60 | +1.60 | ... |
| Pens Intl | 217.40 | 228.90 | -3.80 | ... |
| Pens Money | 223.10 | 234.90 | -0.20 | ... |
| Pens Indx-Lnkd | 188.60 | 198.60 | +0.70 | ... |
| **SUN LIFE UNIT** St James Barton, Bristol BS99 7SL 0272 426911 | | | | |
| Managed Acc | 792.80 | 834.60 | -1.40 | ... |
| Property Acc | 302.90 | 318.90 | +1.90 | ... |
| Equity Acc | 1281.3 | 1348.8 | +5.10 | ... |
| Fixed Int Acc | 373.10 | 392.80 | -1.30 | ... |
| Index-Linked Acc | 197.80 | 208.30 | +0.60 | ... |
| Cash Acc | 296.10 | 311.70 | +0.20 | ... |
| Amer Equity Acc | 324.50 | 341.60 | -6.50 | ... |
| Japan Acc | 306.80 | 323.00 | -2.50 | ... |
| *Pacific Acc* | 286.10 | 301.20 | -10.90 | ... |
| Far Eastern Acc | 693.50 | 730.00 | -26.30 | ... |
| International Acc | 501.60 | 528.10 | -4.80 | ... |
| Distribution Fund | 272.70 | 287.10 | -0.30 | 6.53 |
| European | 161.40 | 169.90 | -0.90 | ... |
| **TSB LIFE LTD** Charlton Place, Andover, Hants, SP10 1RE 0264 345678 | | | | |
| *Managed Fund* | 255.60 | 269.10 | -0.40 | ... |
| Property Fund | 182.30 | 191.90 | -0.10 | ... |
| Fixed Interest Fd | 214.80 | 226.20 | -0.60 | ... |
| Money Fund | 191.30 | 201.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| Equity Fund | 332.10 | 349.60 | -0.70 | ... |
| **TARGET LIFE** The Exchange, 66 High Street, Aylesbury, Bucks. 0296 394000 | | | | |
| Deposit | 239.70 | 252.40 | +0.10 | ... |
| *Financial Ser 1* | 42.20 | 45.40 | -0.40 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 317.80 | 334.60 | -0.90 | ... |
| Gold | 80.50 | 84.80 | -3.90 | ... |
| Managed | 550.90 | 579.90 | -1.70 | ... |
| Mngd Growth | 171.10 | 180.20 | -0.80 | ... |
| Mngd Opp | 178.80 | 188.30 | -1.20 | ... |
| Property | 254.70 | 268.20 | ... | ... |
| Residential Prop | 92.70 | 97.60 | ... | ... |
| TSB American | 192.20 | 202.40 | -3.70 | ... |
| TSB Brit Gwth | 723.30 | 761.30 | +6.40 | ... |
| TSB European | 230.90 | 243.10 | -0.30 | ... |
| TSB Income | 353.50 | 372.20 | -0.90 | ... |
| TSB Intl | 383.70 | 403.90 | -3.30 | ... |
| TSB Intl Inc | 272.20 | 286.60 | -1.20 | ... |
| TSB Pacific | 346.90 | 365.20 | -5.30 | ... |
| TSB Prem Inc | 245.60 | 256.70 | -0.20 | ... |

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**FUNERALS 22**

The cost of dying is rising

# WEEKEND MONEY

**SELL-OFFS 23**

France to take Clio to market



# In for a penny — in for a pounding?

**Jill Insley** considers the risks and rewards for small investors of the penny share market

Since one dark day in December 1990, shares in Next, the *fashion* retailer, have risen from 6.5p to 172p, a rise of 2,546 per cent. Such a remarkable return in a short period illustrates the attractions of so-called penny shares. It is much easier for a 10p share to double in value than for a 100p share, and, because of the lower price, more shares can be bought.

However, the dictum about risk and reward remains true. There are many pitfalls to investing in penny shares.They are not for the naive or for those who cannot afford to lose their money.

Bryan Hubbard, managing editor of *Fleet Street Publications*, a tip sheet, says: "With a good wind behind you, you could double your money, but you could lose it all. You've got to be able to kiss it good-bye."

Penny shares are popular with the private investor. Sharelink reported last week that Ratners, priced recently at 32.5p, has been the stockbroker's fourth most-traded share in the past six months.

Any share priced under 50p is considered a penny share by the tip sheets. The share might be in a smaller company, or a well-known company that has *plummeted in value but might* recover, or a company which is little known and has no following in the market.

A big problem with penny shares is their lack of liquidity. Market-makers are unlikely to hold much, if any, stock, so it may be difficult for the investor to buy in shares in bulk. This illiquidity means share purchases have a relatively large impact on the quoted price. This is one reason why the price can rise so rapidly. No changes to the company's prospects are required for a sharp change in price — all that is needed is an increase in demand for the shares. Poorly traded stock also tends to have a wider bid/offer spread, so the share has to rise proportionately higher in value for the investor to make a profit.

**WHAT'S NEW**

Mr Hubbard says that investors should avoid companies which are too highly borrowed and suggests that they should select the sector in which they want to invest first, then consider individual stocks.

John Campbell, editor of *Penny Share Guide*, another tip sheet, says recovery stocks are particularly popular with his readers. "Sometimes companies get to the stage where they are really at death's door. A company which had market capitalisation of £50 million gets written off by the market when it has £5 million."

The tip sheet watches for indications that the company's fortune might be changing for the better: a new management with a proven track record, other companies coming in, refinancing, or rights issues.

Richard Larner, managing director of Waters Lumniss, the broker, says: "You've got to look at whether the company has got a business which makes sense and has a future. For example, the Nexts of this world are more likely to *achieve than an unknown business.*" Next was plunged into financial problems by its rapid expansion and heavy borrowings. The turning point came when it sold Grattan, its mail order business, for £165 million. This left the company perfectly placed as a recovery stock.

> Brokers are wary of recommending penny stocks. They are not for widows and orphans

**WHERE TO BUY**

Even when the investor has received a red hot tip on a share, it may be hard to find a stockbroker or financial adviser to offer reassuring confirmation. Because penny shares are not a sector as such, with the exception of recovery stock with an existing following in the City, the shares are unlikely to be researched by many private client stockbrokers.

Capel-Cure Myers, which provides the Stocktel dealing service for members of National & Provincial Building Society, researches 350 companies, including some penny shares. Les Baxter, a director of Capel-Cure Myers, says that service does provide limited advice for customers, but adds: "We would be very wary of advising customers of National & Provincial to go into penny shares. Where we get into the low price category we obviously are very cautious in giving recommendations."

Mr Larner agrees: "Most of the brokers are very wary of recommending a penny stock because they can let you down. They are not for widows and orphans."

Winterflood Securities, smaller companies specialist stockbroker, does deal in penny shares. Brian Winterflood says: "There is some value in some of them, but people get carried away."

He believes the recent rise in Ratners' valuation is unrealistic. "Everybody bought it on the basis of a weekend tip," he says. All the private investors rushed in, while the institutions moved out.

Mr Winterflood says a newly launched tip sheet, *Shell*, is having a similar effect on the shares of Harmony Leisure, a pub/leisure company with market capitalisation of £5.16 million. "It allowed a lot of people to deal a lot of stock." The shares had increased by 0.25p to 7.75p on Monday.

*ShareLink*, an execution only stockbroker, provides an information service, ShareFinder, for private investors. *Individual company reports*, costing £4.95 each, give a consensus recommendation from several analysts on more than 650 companies. The weekly performance summary, also costing £4.95, gives a range of key performance indicators on all 650 ShareFinder companies.

Nigel Bartrum, ShareLink sales and marketing director, says the service covers many penny shares. "We require at least two brokers to be researching and two market-makers dealing per stock so the company is fairly liquid," he says.

Brokers who do not research certain shares themselves may be able to provide the investor with information from other sources. *The Estimates Directory*, for example, *covers all companies with a* market capitalisation of more than £10 million. This monthly report contains companies' dividends and price/earnings ratio, price performance and estimates by a number of stockbrokers as to the companies' futures. At £105 per quarter or £350 a year, it is too expensive for anyone who is not investing on a large scale on a professional basis, but is worth perusing for those whose stockbroker subscribes.

**WHEN TO SELL**

Once the investor has succeeded in buying penny shares, the next consideration is when to sell. Penny shares are extremely volatile and prices can slump as quickly as they double — investors should watch their stock like hawks.

Mr Hubbard says: "The name of the game is short termism. The old adage of *always leave enough for the* next man is very true."

Although the investor may consider penny shares a legitimate hunting ground for bargains, Mr Bartrum says: "Just because something has got a lower share price it does not mean it is cheap. Too many investors are lulled by the belief that because the actual price is low, the appreciation will be much greater."



Somebody likes us: Millwall's change of turf to the New London Stadium made tipsters take another look

## Hot tips but no guarantees

WITH so few stockbrokers researching the tiddlers of the stock market, investors who want to go bottom fishing often turn to specialist tip sheets (Jill Insley writes).

The two specialists in the penny share pond are *Penny Share Guide*, published by Fleet Street Communications, and *Penny Share Focus*, published by Chartsearch. Both publications are produced monthly, and are available on a subscription-only basis. Any share priced 50p or less may be researched, then followed until it is either suspended or reaches 100p. A final recommendation will then be given.

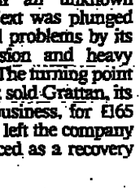
The tipsheets have been criticised of late for taking a scatter-gun approach, recommending many shares and then claiming the glory if any one share does well. But John Campbell, editor of *Penny Share Guide*, says: "The guide used to be a lot more scattershot, but we're now trying to be more focused."

One issue followed by *Penny Share Guide* was Millwall Holdings. In March 1990, it advised selling: "Millwall have turned in terrible results (on the field) ever since their float and are now buying Tavern Leisure, which may or may not be a good deal, but we doubt very much whether the share will perform from 15p. Unless you're a big fan we'd take the loss."

Millwall was relegated to the old second division in May 1990, where it still languishes, but the company's chain of pubs suffered substantial losses. When the share fell to 2p in May this year, the *Guide* recommended Millwall as "well worth a punt — but no guarantee" on the basis of reduced losses last year and the club's move to a new stadium in Lewisham, southeast London. The stadium is to be managed by Ogden Entertainment Services — with additional revenue coming from pop concerts, boxing and religious festivals. The share has more than doubled its price. It is now 4.75p, though whether it could be sold by investors at that level is another matter.

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# Calling life offices to account



SARA McCONNELL
*Personal finance correspondent*

The smack of firm government was heard in one quarter this week as the Chancellor of the Exchequer delivered a hard boot up the collective backsides of the life assurance industry and its regulators. The kick comes five years later than it should have done, but it is no less welcome for that.

Kenneth Clarke has fully endorsed the Office of Fair Trading's findings that life offices' reluctance to give investors basic information on how much their policies would cost to buy and maintain was likely to have "significantly anti-competitive effects".

Life assurance companies will no longer be able to hold out against telling policyholders what measly surrender values they will get if they cash in their policies before they mature. Offices will also have to illustrate to policyholders the impact of set-up and administration charges on their investments, using their own charges, not some putative standard behind which expensive offices can hide.

Company agents will be able to compete to offer customers a cheaper policy than another agent of the same company down the road. And all financial advisers, whether they are company agents or independent financial advisers, will have to tell investors in cash terms at the point of sale how much they are earning in commission for selling the policy.

The Chancellor has rightly brushed aside feeble excuses that it would be impossible to calculate the commissions of tied agents because they are part of a package of benefits. He has also rejected the Office of Fair Trading's suggestion that independent financial advisers, who act on behalf of their clients, should disclose commissions, while tied agents, who act on behalf of the company, should not. This is a false distinction. All advisers sell policies and earn commission.

All this information should have been available to investors long ago, and would have been without the powerful life assurance lobby, which has been holding a succession of ministers and Securities and Investments Board chairmen at bay. Mis-selling and over-selling of insurance policies is rife. Commissions have spiralled as life companies try to attract distributors for their policies. Life companies (and this includes those owned by banks) encourage and condone mis-selling by setting high sales targets and not caring too much whether a policy is suitable as long as it gets on the books.

Regulators and life companies say they welcome the proposals. If they mean that, they will immediately start working on constructive ways of developing them for their policyholders. SIB has until the end of the year to develop draft rules on surrenders, own charges and competitive pricing of policies sold by tied agents. It also has until then to come up with detailed proposals on commission disclosure. All this is long overdue and is now urgent. Any delay will be interpreted as reluctance.

## Banking on trouble

The Code of Banking Practice, introduced last year, is not having much effect on customer satisfaction. According to a survey published this week by the National Consumer Council, one in five of the 1,570 people interviewed said that they had had problems with their banks in the past year and the number of people who are "very satisfied" with their bank has nearly halved over the past 10 years.

Customers cite a familiar litany of problems with cash machines, mistakes with paying standing orders and handling direct debits, and charging errors.

The banks are playing down the survey's findings, saying that customers' expectations are much higher than they were in 1983.That may well be true. Unfortunately, banks are consistently failing to live up to these expectations, as one glance at Weekend Money's postbag would tell them.

Some of the biggest banks are causing concern by appearing to transgress even their relatively undemanding code of practice. The code is being reviewed and banks will have no credibility with their customers unless they stick to it, both in letter and in spirit.


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# Advisers offer ways out of the debt trap

By Sara McConnell
PERSONAL FINANCE CORRESPONDENT

SINCE opening in March this year, a debt counselling centre in Leeds has been visited by about 200 people with average debts of £13,000 owed to eight different creditors.

The Leeds Consumer Credit Counselling Service (CCCS) was made permanent officially this week. It is intended to be the first of a national network of up to 25 centres.

The initial £300,000 set-up cost was borne by creditors, including Barclays, GE Capital and Leeds Permanent Building Society. They hope that funding debt advice will enable them to recoup what they are owed.

About a third of those who have walked through the door since March have been put on a debt management programme. Under this, people add up what they owe, work out their incomings and outgoings and agree with a debt counsellor what payments they will offer. The counsellor then negotiates acceptable payments with the creditors on the debtor's behalf and shares out the money handed over. Creditors are then asked to rebate 15 per cent of the money they receive back to the centre for funding.

Barclays, an enthusiastic supporter of the scheme, has contributed £100,000 to the start-up costs. It said that funding debt advice was cheaper than chasing people for unpaid debts.

However, the Foundation for Credit Counselling, which is running the scheme, has still not been able to work out how much building societies should rebate to the centre because 15 per cent of a mortgage debt is likely to be far larger than 15 per cent of any other debt.

A mortgage, unlike most other debts, is also secured. One suggestion is that building societies should pay £100 per case per year.

Building societies have been reluctant to get involved with privately funded debt counselling services in the past because, they say, they have their own in-house advice services.

Consumer groups and citizens advice bureaux have given the Leeds experiment a cautious welcome.

The National Consumer Council said: "Given the level of funding for debt advice in this country anything will be welcome. Beggars can't be choosers."

However, it shares the fear of the National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux that the service's need for rebates could put pressure on counsellors to push people into unnecessarily high payments.

The National Consumer Council said: "It needs to be properly controlled so that advice workers are not acting as debt collectors rather than advisers."

Terry Walker, senior researcher at the National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux, said that he was also concerned about the standard of advice that counsellors were giving. He said: "We have been pushing for a proper evaluation."



Day of reckoning: funeral costs have soared in recent years but many people have no idea of the expense involved

# Booking ahead for a dignified departure

**Liz Dolan** looks at the pre-paid plans that help to meet the unforeseen price of dying

EVEN the elderly have failed to notice the sharp rise in funeral costs in recent years, according to Chosen Heritage, Britain's largest seller of pre-paid funeral plans.

Since 1976, the price of the average funeral has leapt from £166 to more than £1,000. But, in a survey, published this week, Chosen Heritage discovered that more than seven out of ten people have no idea how much they would have to find to dispatch their nearest and dearest in a reasonable manner.

More than a third of the 1,000 people questioned expected to pay up to 20 per cent less than the prevailing rate. A further 24 per cent were braced for an unrealistically high bill.

In the 64-plus age group, fewer than a third had any real idea of the sums involved.

Over the past two years, prices have risen by 21 per cent, although they may now be stabilising. There was a 14 per cent jump in cremation fees in the year to April 1992, because of changes in local authority funding, and wage rises have been another important factor.

There are significant regional variations. In the south of England, the average price has jumped by more than 26 per cent since 1991 to £1,145. In the same period, prices in Scotland and Northern Ireland have not changed at all.

Pre-paid funeral plans, introduced towards the end of the last decade, are gaining in popularity. Their sellers argue that they are superior to life assurance policies taken out to cover funeral costs for two main reasons. First, policyholders cannot know when they are likely to die and premiums may have to be paid for 20 or 30 years. Second, they will have to guess at the price a funeral will be at the time of their death.

More than 90,000 plans have been taken out, two thirds of them with Chosen Heritage, which is endorsed by Age Concern. The company markets three plans, costing £825, £998 and £1,450.

About 85 per cent of clients pay up-front. The rest pay in 12, 24 or 60 monthly instalments. The total cost of the middle-range plan to clients who pay over a five-year period is £1,230.

One of the company's main rivals is Golden Charter, which operates on behalf of a network of independent funeral directors with more than 1,000 outlets. It offers four schemes, ranging in price from £850 to £1,750. Staged payments are possible, but 95 per cent of customers pay in one lump sum.

The Co-operative Wholesale Society, which had a 25 per cent share of the funerals market, operates a similar "pay now, die later" service. Various schemes are available, starting at £700.

Plans to toughen regulations governing the funeral market have split the industry. This month, the CWS and Golden Charter launched the Funeral Planning Council, which is devising a new code of conduct. This requires that money lodged in pre-paid schemes is kept in separate trusts controlled by a dependable outside source, such as a bank.

Discussions are also under way with the Office of Fair Trading to employ a funerals ombudsman, who will monitor the operation of pre-paid plans and the conduct of funeral directors.

Chosen Heritage and Dignity in Destiny (a subsidiary of the Plantsbrook group) are members of a rival organisation, the National Association of Pre-Paid Funeral Plans, run by the National Association of Funeral Directors.

Both are discussing separate codes of conduct with the Office of Fair Trading.

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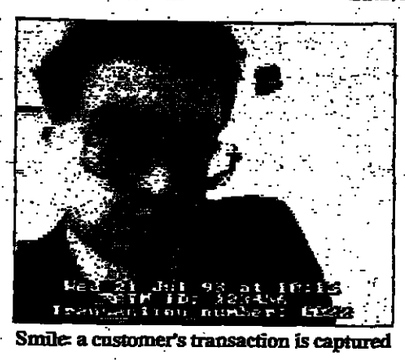
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Sara McConnell on the new cashpoint cameras

# Bank aims to bust the ghosts in the machine

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Cashpoints are about to join banks and building societies as a photo opportunity for potential robbers and fraudsters in a two-month pilot scheme launched by Barclays this week. The bank is to spend £25,000 installing hidden cameras linked to image-capturing equipment inside six of its branches. The equipment will record a series of photographs of the customer making the withdrawal, along with the date, time and details of the transaction.



Smile: a customer's transaction is captured

Andrew Bailey, Barclays' head of self-service banking, said: "Clear images captured by a camera would be a great help to us in the detection of cash card fraud. We also hope the presence of cameras will reassure customers concerned about cash dispenser security, as well as deter would-be vandals."

Cashpoint fraud accounted for 4 per cent of Barclays total plastic card loss of £50 million last year. Vandalism costs the bank between £50,000 and £100,000 a year. Two attempts have been made to remove a cashpoint from the wall completely, using a JCB and costing the bank about £30,000 a time. One obvious use of the cameras from the bank's point of view is to give it more ammunition in its fight against those who claim to have suffered a phantom withdrawal.

Barclays is one of five banks presently preparing to defend itself in court against customer allegations that phantom withdrawals have been made from their accounts.

Barclays said this week that it did not consider phantom withdrawals existed, and that every transaction could be traced through the bank's computerised audit trail. Last year, Barclays handled 187 million cash machine withdrawals and 7,200 were referred for investigation.

If customers dispute transactions made from one of the cashpoints which has a hidden camera, they will be shown photographs of the person who made the withdrawal. If they do not recognise the person in the photograph, the pictures may be handed to the police.

The bank has had to register with the Data Protection Registrar, as the images are stored on a computer, and it will also abide by Home Office guidelines on the use and storage of images. The two-month pilot is mainly to test the technology. The scheme will be extended to other cashpoints in the bank's 2,700 network if the pilot is judged a success. The tiny pinhole of the camera will not be visible to the customer and Barclays is not revealing which cashpoints have cameras, or even in which area of the country they will be. There will be notices warning customers that they may be filmed, but the notices will not specify which branches have cameras.

# France takes up private pursuits

By Margaret Dibben

SHARE shops are still reeling from handling the BT3 sell-off, but some already have an eye on the next wave of privatisation issues coming this autumn. These are not British companies, but French — banks, insurance firms and industrial and technology companies, all headed for the private sector.

This latest privatisation programme, prompted by the return of a conservative government in France last March, will be the largest in Europe. Edouard Balladur, the prime minister, has already issued a multi-million pound Balladur Bond, which includes the rights to convert into privatisation shares later on. He also plans to sell state holdings in 21 nationalised companies.

The government needs the sell-off to succeed because of its urgent need for money, but so far private French shareholders have shown little enthusiasm. In a recent Sofres opinion poll, only 4 per cent said they were "certainly interested" in buying shares.



Selling the Clio: state-owned Renault may soon be advertising its own privatisation

The French finance ministry this week named the first four companies to be sold: Rhône-Poulenc, the chemicals group; Elf Aquitaine, the oil company; Banque Nationale de Paris (BNP) and Banque Hervet. Other candidates include Air France, Bull computers, Crédit Lyonnais and Renault.

Few share shops will offer a French privatisation service, but those that do will probably make institutional applications and provide a simpler and cheaper way of buying foreign shares than investing direct. Matthew Orr, a partner in Killik & Co, the broker, said: "We hope to get large numbers of people who want to stag the issue so we can aggregate the orders and then apply in bulk."

David Goldsmith, of the foreign dealing department at Sharelink, added: "We are still deciding what we will do, but probably we will arrange the foreign exchange for investors, apply for them, provide translations into English and then safe custody of the shares afterwards." Share shops will not advise on investments unless a fee is paid to an advisory stockbroker.

Eric Hathorn, at Henderson Crosthwaite, said: "The French privatisations could be rewarding if we can get into them the right way. I see it as an opportunity for UK investors, which they may not be able to match over here. The only thing that may worry us is the state of the French economy."

As well as the risk of share prices going down, there is a currency risk in buying overseas shares. When sterling is strong against the franc, it is a good idea to convert pounds to buy French shares; when dividends are exchanged into sterling or the shares are sold, it is not. But while holding the shares, the situation could have reversed.

There are also tax complications, and capital gains tax is payable on any profits made from selling the shares, but only to the Inland Revenue. There is no French capital gains tax to pay. French shares can be transferred into a personal equity plan, but the charges could be high and the French tax of 15 per cent cannot be avoided.

The Halifax Building Society has launched a range of fixed-rate mortgages. First-time buyers may chose between 6.99 per cent to 31 January, 1996, or 7.55 per cent to 31 January, 1997. Fixed rates for all borrowers include 7.25 per cent for the next 18 months, 8.25 per cent to 31 July, 1998, and 8.95 per cent to 31 January, 2003. The society is also offering cash incentives worth up to £655.

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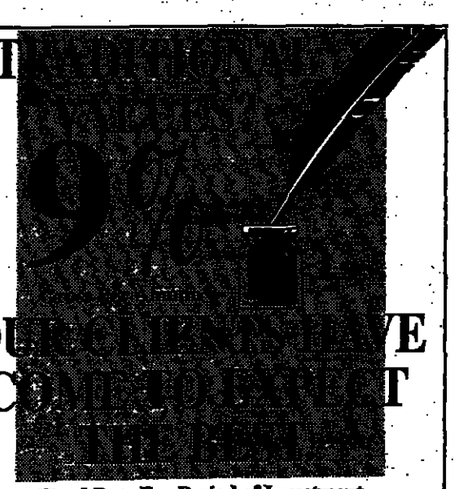
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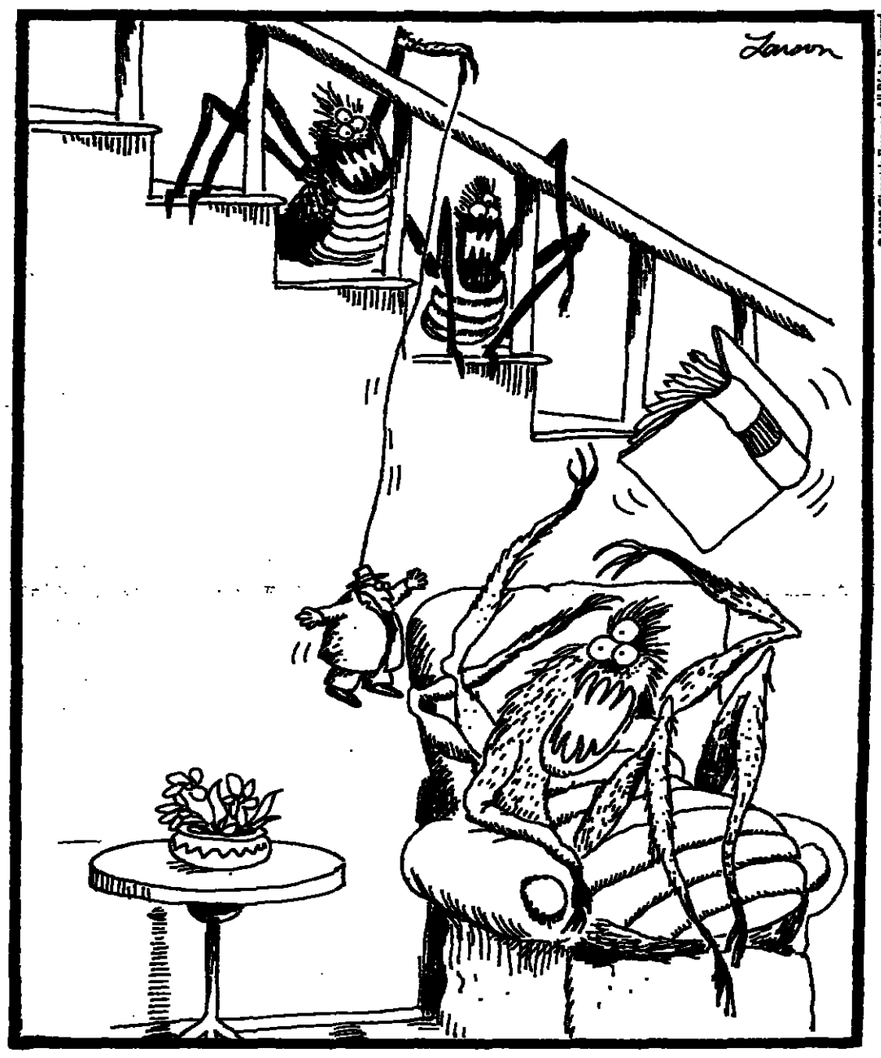
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| Month purchased | 1982 | 1983 | 1984 | 1985 | 1986 | 1987 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| January | ---- | 0.707 | 0.624 | 0.546 | 0.465 | 0.410 |
| February | ---- | 0.699 | 0.617 | 0.534 | 0.460 | 0.404 |
| March | 0.775 | 0.696 | 0.612 | 0.519 | 0.458 | 0.402 |
| April | 0.740 | 0.673 | 0.591 | 0.488 | 0.444 | 0.385 |
| May | 0.727 | 0.666 | 0.585 | 0.481 | 0.441 | 0.384 |
| June | 0.723 | 0.662 | 0.581 | 0.478 | 0.442 | 0.384 |
| July | 0.722 | 0.653 | 0.582 | 0.481 | 0.446 | 0.385 |
| August | 0.722 | 0.646 | 0.568 | 0.477 | 0.441 | 0.381 |
| September | 0.723 | 0.639 | 0.565 | 0.477 | 0.434 | 0.377 |
| October | 0.714 | 0.633 | 0.555 | 0.476 | 0.432 | 0.370 |
| November | 0.706 | 0.627 | 0.550 | 0.470 | 0.432 | 0.364 |
| December | 0.709 | 0.623 | 0.552 | 0.468 | 0.415 | 0.365 |
| | 1988 | 1989 | 1990 | 1991 | 1992 | 1993 |
| January | 0.365 | 0.270 | 0.180 | 0.083 | 0.040 | 0.022 |
| February | 0.360 | 0.261 | 0.173 | 0.077 | 0.034 | 0.016 |
| March | 0.354 | 0.256 | 0.161 | 0.073 | 0.031 | 0.012 |
| April | 0.333 | 0.234 | 0.127 | 0.059 | 0.016 | 0.003 |
| May | 0.328 | 0.226 | 0.117 | 0.056 | 0.012 | Nil |
| June | 0.323 | 0.222 | 0.113 | 0.051 | 0.012 | — |
| July | 0.321 | 0.221 | 0.112 | 0.054 | 0.016 | — |
| August | 0.307 | 0.218 | 0.101 | 0.051 | 0.015 | — |
| September | 0.301 | 0.209 | 0.090 | 0.048 | 0.011 | — |
| October | 0.288 | 0.200 | 0.082 | 0.044 | 0.008 | — |
| November | 0.282 | 0.190 | 0.085 | 0.040 | 0.009 | — |
| December | 0.278 | 0.187 | 0.085 | 0.039 | 0.013 | — |

*The RI month for disposals by individuals on or after April 6, 1965 (April 1, 1965 for companies) is the month in which the allowable expenditure was incurred, or March 1982 where the expenditure was incurred before that month.*

# Home income payouts warning

*By Sara McConnell, personal finance correspondent*

ELDERLY investors who suffered losses after taking out home income plans may not be eligible for as much compensation as they think, the Investors Compensation Scheme has said.

Barnett Sampson, a firm of solicitors acting for 700 elderly investors, won a victory in the High Court this week, after two judges overturned an Investors Compensation Scheme (ICS) ruling that investors were only eligible for awards if they took out plans after August 1988, when the scheme started. This has opened the way for hundreds of investors who took out plans before then to apply for compensation.

However, ICS believes the ruling does not mean that investors will be eligible for compensation from the time they took out the plan. They would be compensated for losses from the first date after August 1988 that an investment transaction was carried out or the plan reviewed. Barnett Sampson had successfully argued that advisers selling the plans had a contractual duty to review the performance of investments taken out as part of the plan. ICS said it would be examining the contractual obligations of each adviser as part of its assessment for compensation. The finishing date for assessing compensation is the date a firm is declared in default by the ICS.

Home income plans were sold to thousands of elderly people in the late 1980s by advisers who persuaded them to mortgage part of their homes and invest the proceeds in an investment bond. Income from the bond was meant to cover mortgage repayments but the value of the bonds fell, leaving people with no way of making mortgage repayments.

Andrew Large, chairman of the Securities and Investments Board, which has responsibility for the ICS, said in his annual report this week that 1,527 claims from home income plan victims have so far been made to the scheme. Payments totalling £15.1 million have been made or offered to 983 of these. A further 170 claimants have been told they are eligible.



Compensation: Andrew Large says he has had 1,527 claims


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## Letters

### Shortfalls in a widow's annuity

*From Mr I. D. M. Chalmers*

Sir, Jill Insley's article on the death benefits of older retirement annuity policies (July 10) describes a more serious situation concerning potential "widow's shortfall" than is necessarily the case.

First, it must be said that the vast majority of unit-linked retirement annuity policies do provide a full return of fund (ROF) on early death. Even where original with-profits contracts specified a poor death benefit, many life offices by concession pay a much higher benefit than that contracted, and some have endorsed the old contracts retrospectively to provide full return of fund. With many other life offices it is possible to re-write the original death benefit term on to the ROF basis in exchange for giving up part of the guaranteed pension benefits. Additionally, some offices will accept additional premiums on the ROF basis, even though the original contract did not offer this. Policyholders should certainly take independent advice before suffering the penalties involved in transferring out to a new policy.

A very simple way of warning policyholders of a potential "widow's shortfall" would be to add the current death benefit amount to the annual bonus notice.

Yours faithfully,
IAN CHALMERS,
Minet Consultancy Services Ltd, Minet House, 66 Prescot Street, E1.

### Saving graces

*From Mr Ewan MacLeod*

Sir, The unhappy experience of the Humjans endeavouring to recover 14-year-old savings from one of our banks (July 17) contrasts with the service given by National Savings when it was presented with savings booklets in the name of my father with (as minors) those of my eldest son and daughter.

He died in 1990, and I recently unearthed them among his papers — untouched for 30 years!

My son and daughter, now 33 and 32, were delighted when NS promptly added interest and mailed cheques without difficulty or delay!

Yours faithfully,
*EWAN MacLEOD*,
17 Woodley Gardens, Lymington, Hampshire.




### Dead accounts

*From Mr Jack Shapiro*

Sir, Your article about National Westminster Bank "recycling" £1,100 standing to its credit in a customer's passbook (July 17) is very interesting and is proof of another anomaly.

The funds involved in "dead" accounts, that is those of people who die intestate without relatives or claimants, those of people who move abroad and vanish, and those of people who have Alzheimer's disease and cannot even remember where the account is and what is in it, must be enormous. Similarly, with insurance life and pension policies that pass into desuetude. The funds involved pass into the reserves of the holder without any public recognition or legal accounting. This money does not belong to the holders. It should pass into the Treasury, to reduce a public burden of debt or taxation. Or, better still, it should pass into a "charity" account to be maintained by the Charity Commission and allocated to worthier causes than the banks, building societies, insurance companies or similar organisations.

Yours faithfully,
JACK SHAPIRO,
100 Brim Hill, N2.

## Interest rates round-up

| | Nominal rate | Compounded at tax rates 25% | Compounded at tax rates 40% | Min/max investment £ | Notice | Contact |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BANKS** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary Dep A/c: Typical | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.30 | 1,000 | 7 day | —— |
| **Fixed Term Deposits:** | | | | | | |
| Barclays | 3.84 | 3.84 | 3.07 | 25,000-50,000 | 1 mth | 071-626 1567 |
| " | 3.75 | 3.75 | 3.00 | 25,000-50,000 | 3 mth | 071-626 1567 |
| Lloyds | 3.23 | 3.23 | 2.58 | 10,000-no max | 1 mth | Local Brnch |
| " | 3.47 | 3.47 | 2.78 | 10,000-no max | 6 mth | Local Brnch |
| Midland | 3.84 | 3.84 | 3.07 | 10,000-100,000 | 1 mth | 0742 528655 |
| " " | 3.94 | 3.94 | 3.15 | 10,000-100,000 | 3 mth | 0742 528655 |
| NatWest | 3.56 | 3.56 | 2.85 | 25,000-50,000 | 1 mth | 071-726 1000 |
| " " | 3.56 | 3.56 | 2.85 | 25,000-50,000 | 3 mth | 071-726 1000 |
| **HIGH INTEREST CHEQUE ACCOUNTS** | | | | | | |
| Bank of Scotland MMC | 3.37 | 3.42 | 2.74 | 2,500‡ | none | 031-442 7777 |
| Barclays Prime a/c | 1.88 | 1.88 | 1.50 | 2,500‡ | none | 0604 252881 |
| Co-operative Ultra | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.30 | 500‡ | none | 071 828 6543 |
| Citibank | 3.75 | 3.82 | 3.06 | 2,000‡ | none | 0800 555884 |
| Lloyds HICA | 0.38 | 0.38 | 0.30 | 10,000 | none | 0272 433372 |
| Midland HICA | 1.50 | 1.50 | 1.20 | 2,000‡ | none | 0742 528655 |
| NatWest Special Reserve | 1.13 | 1.13 | 0.90 | 500‡ | none | 0800 200 400 |
| Royal Bank of Scot Prem A/c | 1.50 | 1.51 | 1.21 | 2,000‡ | none | 031-556 8555 |
| TSB Bank Inist Cheque Acct | 1.88 | 1.88 | 1.50 | 2,000‡ | none | 071-600 8000 |
| **BUILDING SOCIETIES** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary Share A/c | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.60 | 50+ | none | —— |
| **Best buy — largest accs:** | | | | | | |
| Northern Rock | 5.29 | 5.29 | 4.23 | 2,000 min | Postal | —— |
| Northern Rock | 5.86 | 5.86 | 4.53 | 20,000 min | Postal | —— |
| Bradford & Bingly | 5.81 | 5.81 | 4.65 | 25,000 min | 90 day | —— |
| Woolwich | 6.06 | 6.06 | 4.86 | 100,000 min | 90 day | —— |
| Bradford & Bingly | 6.23 | 6.23 | 4.98 | 100,000 min | 1 year | —— |
| **Best buy — all accs:** | | | | | | |
| Northern Rock | 5.48 | 5.48 | 4.38 | 10,000 min | Postal | —— |
| Bradford & Bingly | 5.81 | 5.81 | 4.65 | 25,000 min | 30 day | —— |
| St Pancras | 5.81 | 5.81 | 4.65 | 50,000 min | 60 day | —— |
| Lambeth | 6.10 | 6.10 | 4.88 | 30,000 min | 90 day | —— |
| Bradford & Bingly | 6.06 | 6.06 | 4.86 | 50,000 min | 1 year | —— |

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| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **NATIONAL SAVINGS** | | | | | | |
| Ordinary A/c* | 3.75 | 2.81 | 2.25 | 500-10,000 | 8 day | 041-649-4555 |
| Investment A/c* | 6.25 | 4.69 | 3.75 | 20-100,000 | 1 mth | 041-649-4555 |
| Income Bond* | 7.00 | 5.25 | 4.20 | 2,000-250,000 | 3 mth | 0253 756151 |
| 65th Index Link†* | 3.25 | 3.25 | 3.25 | 100-10,000 | 8 day | 091-386 4900 |
| 40th Issue Cert* | 5.75 | 5.75 | 5.75 | 100-10,000 | 8 day | 091-386 4900 |
| Yearly Plan† | 5.75 | 5.75 | 5.75 | 20-400/mth | 14 day | 091-386 4900 |
| Children's Bond | 7.65 | 7.65 | 7.65 | 25-1,000 | | |
| Gen Ext Rate† | 3.75 | 3.75 | 3.75 | | | |
| Capital Bond* | 7.75 | 5.81 | 4.65 | 100-250,000 | 8 days | 041-649-4555 |
| 1st Option Bond* | 4.75 | 4.75 | 3.80 | 1,000-250,000 | | |
| **GUARANTEED INCOME BONDS** | | | | | | |
| Prosperity Life | 5.00 | 5.00 | 4.25 | 25,000 min | 1 yrs | Figures from |
| Prosperity Life | 5.60 | 5.60 | 4.76 | 25,000 min | 2 yrs | Chase de |
| Prosperity Life | 5.90 | 5.90 | 5.01 | 25,000 min | 3 yrs | Vere |
| Financial Assn | 6.25 | 6.25 | 5.31 | 50,000 min | 4 yrs | 071 404 5766 |
| London & Mcheir | 6.75 | 6.75 | 5.74 | 2,000 min | 5 yrs | for details |

| **RATES** | | **HOLIDAY RATES** | £ buys |
|---|---|---|---|
| RPI (June 92-93) | +1.2% | Spanish Pesetas: | 197.00 |
| Bank Base Rate | 6% | French Francs: | 8.53 |
| Personal Loans | 25% | Greek Drachmas: | 342.00 |
| Credit Card | 25 - 27% | Italian Lire: | 2370.50 |

| **TESSA** | CAR (%) | £3,000 net 1 year on | Transfer - penalty | Minimum investment | Telephone number |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hinckley & Rgby | 8.05 | £3,241.50 | 90 days loss | £25 | 0455 251234 |
| Dunfermline | 8.00 | £3,240.00 | 1mths notice+loss | £3,000 | 0383 721621 |
| St Pancras | 8.00 | £3,240.00 | £25+30days notice | £10 | 071 7942331 |
| National Cats | 7.90 | £3,237.00 | 90 days loss | £3,000 | 0372 742211 |
| Bath Investment | 7.75 | £3,232.50 | - | £1 | 0225 423271 |

* 2.5% for balances below £500, first £70 of interest tax free, instant access for withdrawals of £100 or less. ‡ Additional holdings up to £20,000 for investors re-investing proceeds of existing matured certificates. †Tax free. *Interest taxable paid gross #Higher rates for larger sums. ^Guaranteed over the rate of inflation. ^0.5% net bonus for amounts £20,000+.

| Lender | Interest Rate % | Loan Size | Max % | Notes |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **BUILDING SOCIETIES** | | | | |
| Alliance & Lstr. 0273 775454 | 5.49 | negotiable | 80 | After 2.5% discount for 1 year |
| Nationwide 071 242 8822 | 5.75 | negotiable | 90 | Rate fixed for 1 year then 6.75% for year 2 |
| Yorkshire 0274 740740 | 5.99 | £50K+ | 85 | After 1% discount for 1 year |
| **BANKS** | | | | |
| Barclays 0203 694242 | 6.74 | £60-500K | 90 | After 1.25% discount for 1st year |
| **BANKS** | | | | |
| NatWest Home Loans 021 234 3000 | 6.74 | £60-120K | 90 | After 1.25% discount for 12 months |

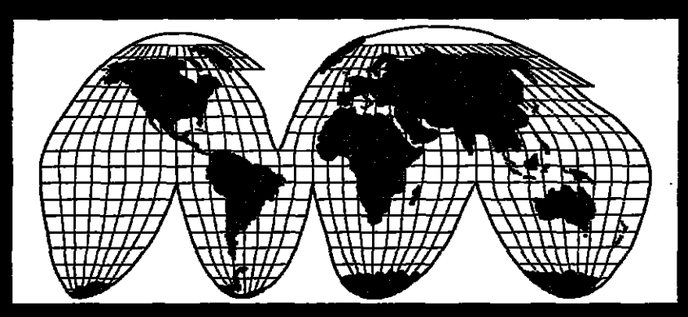
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| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 425 | 345 | Abbey Ntl | 394 | -4 | 11.5 | 3.6 | 15.2 |
| 269 | 179 | Allied Irish | 262 | -3 | ... | 4.5 | 12.9 |
| 183 | 130 | Aus New Z | 178 | ... | ... | 5.1 | ... |
| 3806½ | 2712½ | Bankamerica | 2931¼ | -25 | ... | ... | ... |
| 228 | 177 | Bk of Ireland | 226 | -4 | ... | 5.9 | 16.7 |
| 350 | 325 | Bk Leumi UK | 350 | ... | 17.0 | 6.2 | ... |
| 159 | 116½ | Bank Scotland | 151 | -1 | 4.5 | 3.8 | 30.1 |
| 496 | 362 | Barclays | 468 | -4 | ... | 4.0 | ... |
| 4¾ | 2 | Benchmark | 4¾ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 21 | 15½ | Carlisle | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 513 | 395 | Cater Allen | 496 | -1 | 37.0 | 6.8 | ... |
| 130 | 85 | Cattles | 127 | ... | ... | 4.1 | 16.0 |
| 2450 | 1787½ | Chase Manh | 2131¼ | -15½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 2137½ | 1345½ | Citicorp | 2087¼ | +12½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 370 | 250 | Close Bros | 360 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 16.0 |
| £127½ | 9275 | Commerzbk | £122½ | -50 | ... | 3.2 | ... |
| £304 | £250½ | Deutsche Bk | £285 | +6½ | ... | 2.1 | ... |
| 85 | 45 | First Nat Fin | 73 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 1582 | 876 | Fuji Bank Y | 1537 | -25 | ... | 0.3 | ... |
| 465 | 343 | Gerrard Nat | 451 | -1 | 21.5 | 6.2 | 11.5 |
| 671½ | 450 | HSBC | 626 | +5 | 19.0 | 3.8 | 15.0 |
| 661 | 474 | HSBC HK | 611 | +4 | 19.0 | 3.9 | 14.6 |
| 350 | 243 | Hambros | 341 | -1 | 14.0 | 5.1 | 15.2 |
| 369 | 313 | Joseph (L) | 359 | ... | 16.6 | 6.0 | ... |
| 155 | 96 | King Shaxson | 134 | ... | 9.0 | 8.4 | ... |
| 420 | 312 | Kleinwort Ben | 408 | ... | 16.0 | 4.9 | 14.1 |
| 590 | 492 | Lloyds | 558 | -6 | 18.4 | 4.1 | 16.0 |
| 87 | 63 | Lon Scot Bk | 80 | ... | 3.0 | 4.7 | 15.9 |
| 474 | 322 | Nat Aust Bk | 468 | +8 | ... | 4.3 | 16.2 |
| 507 | 358 | Nat West | 481 | ... | 17.5 | 4.5 | 20.2 |
| 397 | 270 | Provident | 374 | -4 | 11.4 | 3.8 | 16.2 |
| 47 | 39 | Rea Bros | 41 | ... | 0.5 | 1.5 | 43.6 |
| 305 | 207 | Ryl Bk Scot | 291 | ... | 8.8 | 3.6 | ... |
| 1008 | 467½ | Schroders | 995 | -3 | ... | 1.4 | 19.8 |
| 852 | 576 | Stand Chart | 818 | +3 | 20.0 | 3.1 | ... |
| 204 | 145½ | TSB | 194½ | -1½ | 8.4 | 4.2 | ... |
| 152 | 78 | Union Disc | 151 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 741 | 539 | Warburg SG | 716 | -4 | ... | 3.3 | 18.1 |
| 256 | 185 | -do- 6% 'A' | 249 | ... | ... | 3.0 | ... |
| 7850 | 4843½ | Wells Fargo | 7382½ | +100 | ... | 1.4 | ... |
| 186 | 121 | Westpac | 177 | +1 | ... | 4.3 | ... |
| 250 | 188 | Wintrust | 240 | ... | 9.3 | 5.0 | ... |

## BREWERIES

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 646 | 517 | Allied-Lyons | 542 | -2 | ... | 4.8 | 14.6 |
| 647 | 441 | Bass | 471 | +6 | 18.9 | 5.0 | 10.3 |
| 259 | 189 | Boddington | 265 | -2 | 7.3 | 3.4 | 15.4 |
| 429 | 362 | Bulmer (HP) | 428 | +11 | 10.1 | 3.0 | ... |
| 159 | 129 | Burtonwood Brw | 135 | ... | 4.7 | 4.4 | ... |
| 372 | 261 | Devenish (JA) | 359 | -1 | 7.8 | 2.7 | 20.2 |
| 105 | 75 | Eldridge P 'A' | 103 | +1 | ... | 3.9 | 27.3 |
| 68½ | 50 | Fosters Brewing | 54 | ... | ... | 5.0 | 7.5 |
| 403 | 338 | Fullr Sm 'A' | 403 | +8 | 7.4 | 2.3 | ... |
| 480 | 383 | Grand Met | 398 | +2 | 12.3 | 3.9 | 13.1 |
| 427 | 347 | Greenalls Grp | 351 | -1 | 11.7 | 4.2 | 11.6 |
| 563 | 505 | Greene King | 544 | +3 | 12.3 | 2.8 | ... |
| 516 | 440 | Guinness | 467 | -2 | ... | 3.3 | 15.9 |
| 281 | 270 | Hardy Hanson | 265 | -5 | 7.9 | 3.7 | 14.7 |
| 125 | 105 | Hendrees | 112 | ... | 3.0 | 3.4 | 26.7 |
| 95 | 78 | -do- 'A' LV | 92 | ... | 3.0 | 4.2 | 21.9 |
| 342 | 255 | Highland Distl | 327 | ... | 6.0 | 2.3 | 21.7 |
| 3138 | 2538 | Holt J | 3100 | -13 | 41.0 | 1.7 | 20.2 |
| 58 | 33 | Hoskins Brew | 56 | ... | ... | ... | 40.3 |
| 323 | 250 | Invergordn Dist | 272 | -2 | ... | 3.2 | 15.5 |
| 186 | 157 | Macallan-Glen | 166 | ... | 0.9 | 0.7 | 37.3 |
| 465 | 375 | Macdn Mattn 'A' | 390 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 18.6 |
| 855 | 655 | Mansfield | 783 | ... | ... | 2.5 | 14.0 |
| 283 | 231 | Marston Thmp | 273 | +1 | 5.4 | 2.5 | ... |
| 421 | 328½ | Matthew Clark | 421 | ... | ... | 5.1 | ... |
| 300 | 253 | Morydwn W | 284 | -1 | ... | 2.7 | 20.5 |
| 545 | 455 | Morland | 525 | -8 | 8.4 | 2.0 | 20.9 |
| 12 | 6¼ | Paramount | 10 | +1 | ... | 2.1 | 17.7 |
| 165 | 145 | Regent Inns | 164 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 16.4 |
| 950 | 753 | SA Breweries | 903 | +8 | ... | 3.0 | 15.0 |
| 482½ | 408 | Scot & New | 429¾ | -2½ | ... | 4.9 | 13.1 |
| 225 | 181 | Taunton Cider | 208 | -2 | 6.0 | 3.7 | ... |
| 248 | 213 | Vaux Group | 233 | -1 | 9.3 | 5.0 | 16.1 |
| 301 | 225 | Wetherspoon JD | 273 | -2 | ... | 2.2 | 22.1 |
| 512 | 435 | Whitbread 'A' | 494 | -1 | ... | 4.5 | 13.3 |
| 1180 | 850 | -do- 'B' | 1055 | ... | ... | 2.1 | 26.5 |
| 613 | 485 | Wolvrhmptn D | 498 | ... | 11.4 | 2.9 | 14.0 |
| 515 | 475 | Young 'A' | 485 | ... | 14.5 | 3.7 | 20.1 |

## BUILDING, ROADS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 115 | 73 | Abbey | 110 | ... | ... | 1.2 | 39.7 |
| 27 | 13 | Albrighton | 19 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 123 | 87 | Allen | 113 | ... | ... | 5.5 | 25.6 |
| 99 | 65 | Amec | 87 | ... | 3.0 | 4.3 | 16.1 |
| 9½ | 4 | Anglia Sec | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 217 | 155 | Ashstead | 217 | ... | 4.1 | 2.4 | 26.9 |
| 142 | 108 | Atwoods | 116 | ... | 5.0 | 5.4 | 16.8 |
| 240 | 180 | BPB Ind | 209 | +½ | ... | 4.5 | 35.9 |
| 89 | 57 | Baggeridge Brk | 75 | ... | 3.1 | 5.2 | 25.2 |
| 31 | 18 | Bailey (Ben) Con | 26 | ... | 0.5 | ... | ... |
| 105 | 74 | Barcom | 98 | ... | 1.2 | 1.6 | 17.8 |
| 158 | 94 | Barratt Devs | 149 | +3 | 2.0 | 1.7 | 16.6 |
| 412 | 305 | Bellway | 377 | ... | ... | 6.0 | 21.8 |
| 32 | 15 | Bellwinch | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 423 | 295½ | Berkeley Gp | 397 | ... | 6.0 | 1.9 | ... |
| 83 | 45 | Bett Bros | 83 | ... | ... | 0.8 | 3.4 |
| 63 | 36 | Blockleys | 51 | -1 | 1.0 | 2.5 | 56.7 |
| 265 | 189 | Blue Circle | 246 | +4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 285 | 230 | Boot (Henry) | 276 | ... | 5.9 | 2.7 | 15.4 |
| 106 | 78 | Breedon PLC | 89 | ... | 4.6 | 6.5 | 22.5 |
| 121 | 82 | Br Dredging | 115 | ... | 3.2 | 3.7 | 28.5 |
| 83 | 45 | Brit Fittings | 75 | ... | 1.5 | 2.5 | ... |
| 151 | 99 | Bryant | 127 | ... | 4.8 | 4.7 | 27.3 |
| 81 | 53 | CALA | 78 | ... | 2.3 | ... | ... |
| 284 | 205 | CRH | 270 | -1 | ... | 3.4 | 17.2 |
| 33 | 21 | Cakebread Rby | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 46 | 23 | Costain | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 138 | 86½ | Countryside | 130 | -2 | ... | 4.0 | 34.4 |
| 70 | 38 | Crest Nicholson | 62 | ... | 0.0 | ... | ... |
| 94 | 23 | Cussins | 93 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 3½ | 1½ | Dunston | 2½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 25 | 15 | Edmond Hldgs | 16 | ... | 0.5 | 3.9 | ... |
| 260 | 178 | Epwin | 254 | ... | 6.8 | 3.3 | 21.5 |
| 51 | 32 | Erith | 46 | -1 | 0.3 | 1.0 | ... |
| 443 | 252 | Eve Group | 423 | -15 | ... | 3.0 | ... |
| 59 | 34 | Evered Bardon | 45 | ... | 2.0 | 5.8 | 21.1 |
| 8½ | 3½ | Explaura | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 140 | 97 | Freeman Gp | 136 | ... | ... | 4.8 | 21.6 |
| 50 | 38 | Galliford | 39 | ... | 4.3 | ... | 15.7 |
| 78 | 52 | Gibbs & Dandy | 52 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 915 | 695 | Gleeson (MJ) | 915 | ... | 12.7 | 1.7 | 14.8 |
| 122½ | 90 | Hewden-Stuart | 120½ | ... | ... | 3.4 | 22.4 |
| 57 | 23 | Hewetson | 45 | ... | ... | 3.5 | 33.4 |
| 308 | 186 | Heywd Wm | 308 | +2 | 12.5 | 5.1 | ... |
| 106 | 37 | Higgs & Hill | 88 | ... | 2.5 | 3.6 | ... |
| 35 | 26 | How Gp | 30 | ... | ... | 7.2 | ... |
| 19 | 15 | Howard Hldgs | 18 | ... | 0.5 | 3.5 | ... |
| 70 | 39 | Ibstock Johnsen | 65 | ... | 1.0 | 1.9 | ... |
| 19 | 12½ | Jarvis | 18½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 278 | 196 | Laing (J) | 267 | ... | 9.0 | 4.2 | 10.7 |
| 83 | 55 | Ln Clydeside | 79 | ... | 4.5 | 7.1 | 20.3 |
| 23 | 10½ | Lovell (YJ) | 17½ | ... | ... | ... | 7.9 |
| 320 | 240 | Manders | 315 | ... | 9.0 | 3.6 | 18.3 |
| 128 | 93 | Marley | 128 | -1½ | 4.3 | 3.8 | 40.5 |
| 95 | 61 | Marshalls | 81 | ... | ... | 6.2 | 58.8 |
| 175 | 122 | Maunders (J) | 153 | -1 | 4.9 | 4.0 | 14.0 |
| 214 | 96 | McAlpine (A) | 200 | -1 | 6.5 | 4.1 | 34.6 |
| 40 | 23 | McCarthy & S | 36 | ... | 0.5 | ... | ... |
| 388 | 222 | Meyer Int | 347 | -3 | ... | 3.6 | 34.7 |
| 4 | 4 | Miskin Gp | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 129 | 62 | Mowlem (J) | 104 | +2 | 4.0 | 4.8 | ... |
| 90 | 51 | NSM | 90 | +4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 53 | 48 | Needler | 46 | ... | ... | 3.7 | 23.5 |
| 180 | 106 | Newman Tnks | 151 | ... | ... | 6.6 | 20.2 |
| 300 | 197 | Persimmon | 257 | -5 | 8.6 | 4.2 | 26.2 |
| 31 | 20 | Phoenix Timber | 25 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 1625 | 1237½ | Pochins | 1525 | ... | 28.0 | 2.4 | 9.3 |
| 149 | 80 | Prowting | 111 | ... | 3.4 | 3.8 | ... |
| 6½ | 3½ | Quiligotti | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 781 | 553 | RMC Gp | 776 | +8 | ... | 3.2 | 30.5 |
| 117 | 79½ | Raine Ind | 76 | -1 | 6.0 | 9.8 | 12.7 |
| 36 | 20 | Ramus | 22 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 519 | 402 | Redland | 477 | +6 | 25.0 | 6.6 | 27.8 |
| 79 | 64 | Rostel | 79 | ... | 4.5 | 6.8 | 11.6 |
| 296 | 207 | Rugby Group | 262 | +2 | 6.4 | 3.1 | 20.1 |
| 42 | 23 | Sevild-Rves | 41 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 113 | 68 | Sharpe & Fisher | 110 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 19.1 |
| 177 | 86½ | Sheffield Insl | 175 | ... | ... | 3.9 | 42.9 |
| 123 | 82 | Sheriff Hldgs | 123 | ... | ... | 2.0 | 18.3 |
| 95 | 66 | Shorco | 72 | ... | ... | 9.0 | 16.4 |
| 228 | 196 | Smart (J) | 200 | ... | 8.5 | 5.3 | 9.1 |
| 6½ | 2½ | Starmin | 3½ | ... | 0.3 | 10.2 | ... |
| 142 | 103 | Tarmac | 131 | +3 | 5.5 | 5.2 | ... |
| 194 | 137 | Tay Homes | 156 | ... | 5.8 | 4.7 | 10.0 |
| 118 | 63 | Taylor Woodrw | 109 | ... | 1.8 | 1.1 | ... |
| 618 | 433 | Tilbury Dougls | 579 | +1 | 33.0 | 7.1 | 18.8 |
| 39 | 19 | Torex Hire | 37 | ... | ... | 1.4 | ... |
| 246 | 168 | Travis Perkins | 219 | ... | 8.0 | 4.6 | 38.6 |
| 40 | 30 | Try Group | 31 | ... | 1.0 | 4.0 | 8.8 |
| 28 | 26 | Tudor | 28 | ... | ... | 1.1 | ... |
| 74 | 41 | Vibroplant | 60 | -1 | 2.5 | 5.3 | 21.1 |
| 65 | 20 | Ward Hldgs | 45 | +3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 36 | 25 | Waterhouse | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 475 | 360 | Watts Blake | 441 | +7 | ... | 3.4 | 19.0 |
| 26 | 8 | Wescol | 22 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 152 | 90 | Westbury | 133 | ... | 5.0 | 4.7 | 20.8 |
| 12 | 4½ | West Scaffold | 7½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 12 | 5 | Wiggins | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 461 | 371 | Wilson Bowdn | 395 | -2 | 8.7 | 2.8 | 27.1 |
| 205 | 147 | Wilson (C) | 165 | +2 | 3.9 | 3.0 | 28.6 |
| 187 | 104 | Wimpey G | 173 | +4 | ... | 3.8 | ... |
| 47 | 25 | YRM | 37 | ... | 0.5 | 1.7 | ... |

## BUSINESS SERVICES

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 675 | 463 | ADT | 590 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 228 | 198 | Adam & Harvey | 205 | ... | 12.0 | 7.3 | ... |
| 92 | 56 | Air London | 65 | ... | ... | 0.7 | 8.0 |
| 56 | 37 | African Lakes | 54 | ... | 2.0 | 4.6 | ... |
| 178 | 125 | Auto Sec | 155 | -1 | ... | 4.3 | 22.8 |
| 119 | 84 | BET Ord | 119 | +1 | ... | 3.4 | 4.8 |
| 93 | 41 | BNB Res | 80 | ... | 4.9 | 6.8 | ... |
| 318 | 258 | BPP | 293 | ... | 8.0 | 3.4 | 16.2 |
| 285 | 200 | Barbour Index | 200 | ... | 8.0 | 5.0 | ... |
| 22 | 15 | Boustead | 20 | ... | 0.7 | 4.4 | ... |
| 265 | 184 | Brit Data Mgt | 235 | -2 | ... | 2.1 | 19.6 |
| 26 | 11 | Broadcastle | 24 | ... | ... | ... | 19.1 |
| 73 | 54 | Brooks Service | 58 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 104 | 86 | CRT Gp | 100 | -2 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 11.5 |
| 178 | 139½ | Capita Group | 169 | -1 | ... | 1.6 | 26.4 |
| 45 | 31 | Casket Plc | 41½ | -½ | ... | 2.4 | 15.8 |
| 55 | 40 | Chiltern Capital | 50½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 51 | 26 | Christie | 45 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 330 | 228 | Chubb Sec | 311 | +1 | ... | 1.9 | 19.3 |
| 96 | 18 | Comace | 78 | ... | ... | 2.4 | 19.5 |
| 30 | 6½ | Corp Services | 26 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 52 | 20 | Coutts Cnslg | 49 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 93 | 50 | Dart | 87 | ... | 3.3 | 4.7 | 11.8 |
| 231 | 198 | Davis Service | 226 | +1 | ... | 4.4 | 17.0 |
| 104 | 85 | EW Facts | 91 | ... | 4.3 | 5.9 | 18.4 |
| 28 | 11 | Gardiner | 25½ | +½ | 0.6 | ... | 17.7 |
| 246 | 215 | Hays | 226 | ... | 4.6 | 2.5 | 22.4 |
| 220 | 174 | Hogg Robinsn | 209 | -2 | ... | 3.9 | 15.2 |
| 70 | 38 | Holmes Protectn | 38 | -1 | ... | ... | 2.5 |
| 190 | 127 | Burch Wkamp | 168 | +2 | ... | 2.8 | 14.3 |
| 1975 | 975 | ISS B DKr | 1787½ | -38½ | ... | 5.8 | 2.3 |
| 637 | 519 | Inchcape | 529 | +1 | ... | 3.2 | 18.3 |
| 863 | 669 | Johnson Clean | 828 | -5 | 25.7 | 3.9 | 18.1 |
| 12 | 2½ | Lep | 8½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 244 | 173 | Mitie Gp | 223 | ... | 2.7 | 1.5 | 18.4 |
| 1187 | 890 | Manpower | 959 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 59½ | 40½ | Michael Page | 59½ | ... | 1.8 | 4.5 | 21.4 |
| 229 | 190 | Pennas | 190 | ... | ... | 6.6 | 7.1 |
| 4½ | 2 | Prime People | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 142 | 80 | Prontifoot Alex | 113 | +7 | ... | 13.3 | 8.3 |
| 423 | 345 | RCO | 345 | ... | 12.8 | 5.1 | 11.7 |
| 118 | 101 | REA | 101 | ... | 4.0 | 5.0 | ... |
| 103 | 43 | Reed Executive | 98 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 156 | 113 | Reliance Sec | 123 | ... | ... | 4.7 | ... |
| 238 | 178 | Rentokil | 196 | -1 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 26.4 |
| 283 | 238 | Rolfe & Nolan | 255 | -28 | ... | 3.5 | 14.4 |
| 399 | 338 | Salvesen (C) | 341 | -2 | ... | 2.9 | 18.7 |
| 35 | 26 | Scot Pickfords | 26 | ... | ... | 3.8 | ... |
| 343 | 164 | Securiguard | 339 | ... | ... | 4.2 | 18.0 |
| 6½ | 5 | Select Appt | 5½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 993 | 695 | Serco Gp | 983 | -5 | 14.0 | 1.8 | 27.2 |
| 332 | 220 | Sherwd Cmpt | 221 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 6.5 |
| 130 | 90 | Stanchley | 94 | +1 | ... | 4.0 | 21.5 |
| 355 | 310 | Warner Howrd | 314 | ... | 6.5 | 2.6 | 16.4 |
| 45 | 22 | Welpac | 35 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 26 | 14 | Wills Gp | 23½ | ... | ... | 0.5 | 32.1 |

## CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 248 | 210 | Allied Colloids | 235 | +1 | ... | 2.3 | 20.7 |
| 838 | 613 | Amersham | 786 | +5 | ... | 2.1 | 27.2 |
| 7 | 2 | Anglo Utd | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| £102½ | £325 | BASF DM | £101½ | -38½ | ... | 3.2 | ... |
| 283 | 199 | BTP | 280 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 17.9 |
| £119 | £10P | Bayer DM50 | £115¾ | -37½ | ... | 4.6 | ... |
| 178 | 134 | Blagden | 149 | ... | 8.5 | 8.0 | 16.1 |
| 165 | 93 | Brent Chems | 100 | ... | ... | 9.3 | 9.1 |
| 530 | 365 | Br Bio-Tech | 388 | ... | ... | 12.8 | 36.1 |
| 29 | 13½ | Cairn Gp | 13 | ... | ... | 5.1 | ... |
| 153 | 125 | Canning (W) | 128 | -1 | 7.2 | 7.1 | 14.7 |
| 608 | 504 | Courtaulds | 532 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 13.9 |
| 265 | 228 | Croda | 265 | +3 | ... | 3.4 | 18.7 |
| 149 | 121 | Dosfix | 139 | ... | 4.6 | 4.1 | 10.7 |
| 219 | 175 | Ellis & Everard | 211 | -1 | 7.0 | 4.3 | ... |
| 33½ | 15½ | Euro Colour | 31½ | ... | 0.8 | 3.2 | 19.3 |
| 300 | 259 | Halstead (J) | 309 | ... | ... | 2.4 | 15.5 |
| 241 | 194 | Hickson | 210 | -3 | ... | 4.6 | 20.5 |
| £114½ | 8850 | Hoechst | £105 | +25 | ... | 3.1 | ... |
| 225 | 195 | Holliday Chem | 204 | +1 | ... | 2.3 | 18.5 |

## DRAPERY, STORES

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 710 | 608 | ICI | 651 | +6 | ... | 5.3 | ... |
| 668 | 576 | Laporte | 593 | +7 | 19.5 | 4.1 | 16.4 |
| 221 | 181 | Leigh | 194 | +1 | ... | 5.2 | 18.2 |
| 99½ | 35 | MTM | 44 | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 1750 | 1462½ | Norsk Hydro | 1700 | ... | ... | 1.7 | 24.1 |
| 450 | 370 | Paterson Zoch | 450 | ... | 11.4 | 3.2 | 19.4 |
| 400 | 360 | -do- 'A' | 400 | ... | 11.4 | 3.6 | 17.3 |
| 296 | 226 | Plysu | 235 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 249 | 173 | Porvair | 243 | +1 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 26.0 |
| 14 | 7 | Sutcliffe Speak | 13½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 475 | 412 | Wardle Storeys | 412 | -3 | 16.0 | 4.9 | 16.6 |
| 490 | 395 | Wolstnhlme R | 475 | ... | 17.0 | 4.5 | 16.2 |
| 401 | 330 | Yorks Chem | 345 | -5 | ... | 2.8 | 18.5 |
| 306 | 238 | Yule Catto | 238 | -4 | 5.9 | 2.1 | 14.5 |
| 697 | 593 | Zeneca | 613 | +14 | ... | 5.6 | 36.2 |
| 102 | 59½ | Alexon | 80 | -2 | ... | 6.3 | ... |
| 87 | 42 | Amber Day | 65 | ... | 3.1 | 0.0 | 17.8 |
| 325½ | 257 | Argos Plc | 315 | +1 | ... | 2.8 | 26.9 |
| 25 | 12 | Ashley Group | 15 | ... | ... | 4.7 | ... |
| 118 | 60 | Ashley (Laura) | 102 | ... | 0.1 | 0.1 | ... |
| 305 | 278 | Asprey | 290 | ... | 5.1 | 2.2 | 20.1 |
| 134 | 94 | Austin Reed | 130 | ... | ... | 2.6 | ... |
| 153 | 125 | Beattie (J) 'A' | 145 | ... | ... | 5.2 | 14.6 |
| 121 | 94 | Bentalls | 99 | ... | 1.9 | 2.4 | ... |
| 278 | 208 | Berisfords | 242 | -8 | ... | 1.0 | 29.8 |
| 35 | 22 | Blacks Leis | 29 | ... | 2.2 | 10.2 | ... |
| 227 | 139 | Body Shop | 216 | -2 | ... | 1.0 | 27.9 |
| 15½ | 11½ | Brown & Jacksn | 14½ | ... | ... | 0.7 | 7.2 |
| 401 | 318 | Brown (N) | 377 | ... | ... | 2.3 | 22.1 |
| 87½ | 64½ | Burton | 71 | -3½ | ... | 3.5 | ... |
| 145 | 126 | Caunns | 141 | ... | ... | 2.4 | 18.7 |
| 360 | 285 | Church | 348 | ... | 12.5 | 4.5 | 31.0 |
| 183 | 97 | Clinton Cards | 143 | ... | 4.2 | 3.7 | 17.2 |
| 248 | 222 | Coats Viyella | 239 | +1 | ... | 3.9 | 27.4 |
| 112 | 78 | Colourvision | 105 | ... | 5.6 | 6.9 | ... |
| 680 | 374 | Currys Furnish | 680 | ... | 5.5 | 1.0 | ... |
| 156 | 115 | Crown Eyes | 137 | ... | ... | 5.8 | 8.4 |
| 120 | 80 | Dairy Farm Intl | 107 | -2 | ... | 3.2 | 17.0 |
| 78½ | 51½ | Dewhirst (I) | 79½ | ... | 1.0 | 1.7 | 24.3 |
| 281 | 189 | Dixons Grp | 211 | +1 | ... | 3.7 | ... |
| 413 | 320 | Dunhill | 340 | -3 | 8.1 | 3.0 | 13.8 |
| 21 | 12½ | ERA Gp | 15 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 530 | 400 | Elys (Wimbldn) | 510 | ... | 16.0 | 4.0 | 17.1 |
| 141 | 71 | Essex Furn | 140 | ... | ... | 2.5 | 23.7 |
| 255 | 203 | Etam | 252 | ... | 6.9 | 3.4 | 23.1 |
| 591 | 499 | Fine Art Dev | 591 | +4 | 12.7 | 2.7 | 19.3 |
| 50 | 26 | Fired Earth Tiles | 38 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 543 | 498 | Forminster | 538 | ... | 12.5 | 2.9 | 11.3 |
| 108 | 24 | French Conn | 108 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 65 | 43 | Gent SR | 56 | ... | 2.0 | 4.5 | 16.4 |
| 59 | 23 | Goldsmiths Gp | 55 | ... | 0.3 | 0.7 | ... |
| 3600 | 2400 | GUS | 3475 | -15 | ... | 1.6 | 27.2 |
| 1970 | 1363 | -do- 'A' | 1925 | +10 | ... | 2.9 | 15.0 |
| 40 | 31 | Hampden Grp | 31 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 15.4 |
| 277 | 30 | Harstone | 56 | +7 | 2.8 | 6.3 | ... |
| 25½ | 20 | Helene Plc | 23 | +½ | 2.0 | 10.9 | 10.9 |
| 60 | 29 | Heritage | 58 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 64 | 35 | Honeysuckle | 60 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 114 | 63 | Jacques Vert | 114 | ... | 3.0 | 3.3 | ... |
| 619 | 496 | Kingfisher | 604 | ... | ... | 2.1 | 8.5 |
| 74 | 62½ | Leslie Wise Gp | 70 | +5 | ... | 2.8 | 19.8 |
| 685 | 495 | Liberty | 625 | ... | 4.0 | 7.5 | 14.1 |
| 320 | 265 | Lloyds Chem | 251 | -5 | 2.2 | 1.4 | 73.6 |
| 152 | 120 | MFI | 133 | ... | 5.5 | 2.7 | 4.8 |
| 365 | 311 | Marks Spencer | 338 | +1 | ... | 3.6 | 27.4 |
| 937 | 445 | Menzies (John) | 470 | +3 | ... | 3.0 | 18.6 |
| 225 | 135 | Moss Bros | 225 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 12.0 |
| 178½ | 139½ | Next | 173 | ... | 5.5 | 3.1 | 26.4 |
| 40 | 15 | Oliver (G) | 35 | +2 | 2.5 | 1.8 | 20.7 |
| 270 | 197 | Oddbinse Intl | 270 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 63 | 45 | Pentos | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 313 | 227 | QS Hldgs | 227 | ... | 1.5 | 4.1 | 9.6 |
| 41½ | 11 | Ratners Group | 29½ | ... | 5.1 | 2.9 | 16.2 |
| 35 | 20½ | Rhino Grp | 31 | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 181 | 135 | Sherwood Gp | 147 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 108 | 93 | Sears | 95 | ... | ... | 2.2 | 13.2 |
| 498 | 400 | Smith WH 'A' | 459 | ... | ... | 4.6 | ... |
| 15 | 4½ | Specialeyes | 12 | ... | 13.4 | 3.8 | 15.5 |
| 219 | 176 | Storehouse | 189 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 191 | 148 | T & S Stores | 151½ | -3½ | 5.9 | 4.9 | 11.3 |
| 133 | 71 | Tie Rack | 130 | ... | 1.0 | 1.0 | 21.3 |
| 220 | 160 | Time Products | 200 | -1 | 7.5 | 4.7 | 17.3 |
| 100 | 63 | Usher (Frank) | 98 | +1 | ... | 8.4 | 7.7 |
| 45 | 27 | Vivat | 35 | ... | 1.0 | 3.6 | 10.8 |
| 40 | 34 | Wensum | 34 | ... | ... | 6.7 | ... |
| 120 | 78 | Wickes | 108 | -1 | ... | ... | 48.3 |
| 90 | 45 | Wrd of Leather | 69 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 198 | 146 | Wyevale | 184 | +1 | ... | 3.7 | 26.3 |
| 4 | 2½ | Xtra-vision | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |

## ELECTRICALS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 170½ | 134 | ACT Group | 158 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 15.9 |
| 240 | 223 | Acal | 233 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 16.3 |
| 102½ | 38 | Acorn Comp | 97 | +11 | ... | ... | 48.2 |
| 480 | 385 | Admiral | 440 | ... | 3.4 | 1.5 | 18.6 |
| 141 | 104 | Alba | 141 | ... | ... | 4.4 | 17.2 |
| 48 | 19½ | Alphameric | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 38½ | 22 | Amstrad | 32 | ... | 0.4 | ... | ... |
| 128 | 68 | App Holo | 68 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 37 | 13 | Arlen | 33 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 69½ | 39½ | Astec | 67½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 259 | 230 | Beales Hunter | 255 | ... | 9.2 | 4.5 | 13.5 |
| 9 | 3½ | Bennett & Fount | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 412 | 319 | BICC | 393 | +3 | 19.2 | 6.1 | 26.6 |
| 575 | 447 | BSkyB | 449 | -1 | 9.2 | 2.6 | 17.5 |
| 1700 | 1150 | Borland | 1300 | -125 | ... | ... | ... |
| 339 | 274 | Bowthorpe | 332 | -1 | 6.3 | 2.4 | 21.7 |
| 445½ | 376 | BT | 416½ | +1 | ... | 4.8 | 19.2 |
| 173 | 150 | BT P/P | 172 | +1 | ... | 4.5 | 20.4 |
| 11 | 5½ | Bulgin (AF) 'A' | 11 | +½ | 0.1 | 1.1 | ... |
| 160 | 110 | Burnfield | 139 | -2 | 5.7 | 5.2 | 22.0 |
| 786 | 609 | Cable Wireless | 765 | +9 | ... | 2.4 | 24.6 |
| 21½ | 11½ | Chloride | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 258 | 229 | CML Micro | 233 | +1 | ... | 2.3 | 18.4 |
| 115 | 74 | Comput People | 113 | ... | 0.6 | 0.7 | ... |
| 164 | 108½ | Cray Elect | 149 | -2 | ... | 1.3 | 14.9 |
| 388 | 243 | Crichley | 388 | +4 | ... | 2.0 | ... |
| 548 | 414 | Delta | 527 | +3 | ... | 3.3 | 21.7 |
| 340 | 205 | Dewhurst El | 340 | ... | ... | 2.2 | 14.5 |
| 620 | 489 | Domino | 425 | ... | 7.2 | 2.1 | 14.5 |
| 65 | 48 | Dowding Mills | 59 | ... | 2.5 | 5.3 | 19.4 |
| 1040 | 865 | Druck | 1020 | ... | 10.0 | 1.2 | ... |
| 419 | 398 | Electrocompnts | 412 | -2 | ... | 2.4 | 16.8 |
| 580 | 470 | El Data Prc | 550 | ... | 5.1 | 1.2 | 15.1 |
| 106 | 43 | Electron House | 105 | ... | 2.6 | 3.1 | ... |
| 30½ | 10½ | Emess | 24½ | ... | 0.1 | 0.5 | ... |
| 598 | 442 | Eurotherm | 582 | +4 | 8.0 | 1.8 | 25.4 |
| 149½ | 108 | FKI | 149½ | +½ | 3.0 | 2.5 | ... |
| 432½ | 340 | Farnell Elect | 432 | +3 | ... | 1.8 | 22.9 |
| 83 | 33 | Feedback | 83 | +7 | ... | 2.3 | 10.8 |
| 18 | 9½ | Ferranti | 10 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 243 | 101 | Flux Tech | 243 | +8 | 1.0 | 0.5 | ... |
| 280 | 81 | Forward Gp | 265 | ... | ... | 1.6 | 24.0 |
| 21 | 16 | Forward Tech | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 343 | 264 | GEC | 336 | +2 | ... | 3.8 | 17.1 |
| 182 | 132 | Goseby | 188 | -3 | ... | 8.1 | 95.3 |
| 11½ | 7½ | Graystone | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 39 | 36 | Hikbrea | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 169 | 83 | INSTEM | 145 | -4 | ... | 2.7 | 10.4 |
| 388 | 320 | Jones Stroud | 355 | -20 | 8.8 | 3.1 | ... |
| 19 | 8 | Kensbrey | 16 | ... | 0.1 | 1.2 | ... |
| 323 | 260 | Kenwood App | 301 | ... | 5.8 | 2.4 | ... |
| 216 | 47 | Kewill Syst | 197 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 207 | 100 | Kode | 188 | ... | ... | 5.5 | 3.7 |
| 40 | 16 | Laser-Scan | 38 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 365 | 122 | LSMS | 248 | ... | ... | 0.4 | ... |
| 300 | 240 | Lec Refrig | 273 | ... | 9.0 | 4.1 | ... |
| 179 | 135 | Life Sciences | 138 | -2 | 3.5 | 3.2 | 15.0 |
| 260 | 164 | Logica | 237 | -3 | 3.6 | 1.9 | 28.0 |
| 54 | 44 | LPA Ind | 45 | ... | ... | 9.8 | 12.7 |
| 212 | 162 | MR Data Mngmt | 179 | ... | 4.3 | 3.0 | 17.1 |
| 683 | 522 | Macro 4 | 675 | ... | ... | 2.4 | 22.6 |
| 630 | 522 | Memvier-Swa | 573 | ... | ... | 2.0 | 18.9 |
| 3013 | 1805 | Micro Focus | 1995 | -55 | ... | ... | 17.9 |
| 222 | 152 | Microgen | 152 | -2 | 7.2 | 6.0 | 10.3 |
| 34 | 23½ | Microvitec | 26½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 514 | 387 | Misys | 499 | +1 | 6.1 | 1.5 | 22.8 |
| 487 | 353 | Mitel | 383 | -13 | ... | ... | ... |
| 128 | 108 | MMT Comp | 121 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 36 | 16 | Molynx | 32 | -½ | 1.3 | 5.0 | ... |
| 272 | 207 | MTL Insts | 215 | ... | ... | 2.1 | 16.2 |
| 125 | 105 | Multitone Elect | 112 | +6 | 3.5 | 3.9 | ... |
| 185 | 116 | Murray Eletr | 185 | ... | 1.8 | 1.3 | ... |
| 6412½ | 5225 | NYNEX | 6012½ | -12½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 188 | 135 | Neotronics | 135 | ... | 2.6 | 2.4 | 17.4 |
| 65 | 42 | Newmark (L) | 61 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 188 | 58 | Norbain | 187 | +14 | ... | 1.0 | ... |
| 75 | 20 | Northamber | 54 | -1 | 0.6 | 1.4 | ... |
| 15½ | 9 | Oceonics | 11½ | ... | ... | ... | 7.5 |
| 268 | 195 | Oxford Inst | 268 | ... | 4.5 | 2.1 | 18.2 |
| 83 | 48 | P-E Internl | 72 | ... | 1.0 | 1.7 | ... |
| 101½ | 29 | P & P | 65 | ... | 1.4 | 2.7 | 34.1 |
| 80 | 55 | Peek | 70 | -1 | 3.4 | 6.1 | 18.3 |
| 190 | 115 | Pegasus | 167 | ... | ... | 4.8 | 42.9 |
| 9000 | 9000 | Philips Fn 4% | 9000 | ... | ... | 6.4 | ... |
| 1112½ | 725 | -do- Lmp wv | 1087½ | +50 | ... | ... | ... |
| 254 | 221 | Photon | 246 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 493 | 343 | Pilco | 493 | ... | 7.7 | 2.0 | 41.8 |
| 468 | 303 | -do- 'A' Voting | 488 | ... | 7.7 | 2.1 | 39.7 |
| 98 | 63 | Plessey | 73 | ... | ... | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| 104 | 76 | Pressac | 103 | ... | 2.4 | 2.9 | 28.7 |
| 135 | 98 | Psion | 108 | ... | ... | 2.9 | 28.7 |
| 230 | 160 | Racal Elect | 230 | +1 | 4.2 | 2.3 | 13.7 |
| 70 | 45 | Radamec | 60 | -1 | ... | 3.1 | 12.8 |
| 70 | 43 | Radius | 56 | ... | ... | 6.0 | 18.3 |
| 92 | 61 | Real Time | 75 | ... | ... | 5.2 | ... |
| 35 | 18 | Riva | 29 | ... | ... | ... | 36.8 |
| 620 | 380 | Sage Gp | 422 | +8 | 9.0 | 2.7 | 13.5 |
| 342 | 222 | Sanderson Eler | 313 | ... | 9.0 | 3.6 | 13.3 |
| 78 | 49 | Scantronic | 76 | -2 | 3.1 | 5.3 | ... |
| 155 | 117 | Scholes Grp | 145 | ... | 5.0 | 4.3 | 28.5 |
| 371 | 270 | Sema Gp | 357 | -2 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 28.0 |
| 39 | 26 | Silverminex | 35 | ... | ... | 3.9 | ... |
| 50 | 37 | Soundtracks | 47 | ... | ... | 5.9 | 15.9 |
| 2550 | 1737½ | TDK | 2450 | -25 | ... | 1.2 | 30.0 |
| 27 | 4½ | TDS Circuits | 11½ | -1½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 155 | 80 | Telemetrix | 143 | +1 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 23.6 |
| 938 | 809 | THORN EMI | 987 | -1 | ... | 4.4 | 18.7 |
| 111 | 98 | Thorpe FW | 100 | ... | 2.5 | 3.1 | 10.3 |
| 103 | 65 | Total Systems | 65 | ... | 3.0 | 5.8 | 11.5 |
| 445 | 322 | Tunstall | 438 | ... | 6.0 | 1.7 | 17.5 |
| 256 | 164 | Unitech | 248 | +4 | 5.8 | 2.9 | 43.4 |
| 11½ | 6 | Verity | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 35 | 24 | Vistech | 29½ | ... | ... | 1.6 | ... |
| 471 | 267 | Vodafone | 440 | +6 | ... | 2.0 | 19.9 |
| 441 | 368 | Volex | 440 | ... | 17.8 | 5.2 | 17.6 |
| 26 | 11 | Western Selectn | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 255 | 223 | Wholesale Fitgs | 254 | ... | 11.7 | 5.8 | 24.2 |

## ELECTRICITY

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 487 | 389 | East Midlands | 464 | +1 | ... | 5.3 | 8.7 |
| 506 | 399 | Eastern Elect | 487 | +2 | ... | 4.9 | 9.7 |
| 356 | 304 | Hydro-Elect | 344 | +3 | ... | 4.2 | 12.3 |
| 501 | 404 | London Elect | 494 | +1 | ... | 4.9 | 11.0 |
| 559 | 458 | Manweb | 528 | +2 | ... | 5.0 | 7.6 |
| 515 | 424½ | Midlands Elec | 506 | +1 | ... | 4.9 | 9.1 |
| 556 | 440 | Northern Elec | 526 | +1 | ... | 5.1 | 7.6 |
| 544 | 439 | Norweb | 538 | +5 | 30.0 | 4.8 | 8.1 |
| 337 | 285 | Scottish Power | 323 | +½ | ... | 4.4 | 11.7 |
| 543 | 436 | Seeboard | 526 | -1 | ... | 4.8 | 8.5 |
| 571 | 469 | Sth Wales | 544 | +1 | ... | 5.1 | 9.1 |
| 532 | 426 | Sth Western | 491 | +1 | ... | 5.1 | 11.8 |
| 506 | 406 | Southern Elec | 495 | +3 | ... | 4.9 | 9.1 |
| 552 | 455 | Yorkshire Elec | 521 | +1 | ... | 4.9 | 9.7 |
| 372 | 273 | National Powr | 354 | +3 | ... | 3.7 | 10.8 |
| 392 | 273 | PowerGen | 377 | +5 | ... | 3.5 | 10.0 |

## FINANCE, LAND

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 60½ | 50 | Aitken Hume | 50 | ... | 0.5 | ... | 31.0 |
| 106 | 47 | BWD | 104 | ... | ... | 3.8 | 16.1 |

## FINANCIAL TRUSTS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 90 | 26 | Baltic Plc | 89 | ... | ... | 1.4 | ... |
| 492 | 413 | Caledonia | 489 | -1 | ... | 3.8 | 18.2 |
| 1500 | 1075 | Camellia | 1400 | ... | ... | 1.1 | 5.2 |
| 255 | 243 | Candover | 233 | ... | 10.2 | 4.5 | 20.0 |
| 112 | 71 | Fleetech | 112 | +1 | ... | 0.6 | ... |
| 303 | 155 | Govett | 287 | +3 | ... | 5.3 | 9.0 |
| 151 | 125 | Ivory Sime | 151 | -1 | ... | 5.4 | 14.0 |
| 6¼ | 3 | LIT | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 12 | 11 | Lightship | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 237 | 154 | Lon Forfaiting | 234 | ... | 8.4 | 5.0 | 15.2 |
| 61 | 47 | Manakin | 61 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 12½ | 3½ | Nat Home Loan | 7½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 50 | 40 | Newmarket | 50 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 284 | 246 | Rathbone Bs | 284 | ... | 6.0 | 2.6 | 17.3 |
| 27½ | 17 | Rutland Tst | 22 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 13.1 |
| 330 | 253 | S & U | 220 | ... | 10.0 | 4.6 | ... |
| 70 | 48 | Singer & Fried | 66½ | -½ | 2.6 | 4.9 | ... |
| 975 | 738 | Sothebys | 788 | -25 | ... | 4.9 | ... |
| 143 | 83 | SJP Capital | 135 | +2 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 15.7 |
| 2162½ | 1487½ | Amer Express | 2150 | -9½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 978 | 835 | Henderson Ad | 888 | -7 | ... | 5.0 | 20.5 |
| 143 | 92 | Invesco | 141 | ... | ... | 2.7 | 75.5 |
| 230 | 166 | Jardine Strat | 207 | +1 | ... | 3.5 | 10.2 |
| 216 | 154 | MAI | 212 | ... | 6.0 | 3.5 | 15.4 |
| 549 | 380 | MAM | 540 | -3 | 15.0 | 3.5 | 13.5 |
| 830 | 653 | M & G | 823 | ... | ... | 3.3 | 21.9 |
| 260 | 109 | Smith New Crt | 257 | ... | ... | 2.9 | 3.9 |
| 81 | 55 | Trio Hldgs | 75 | -1 | ... | 5.0 | ... |

## FOODS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 515 | 456 | AB Food | 457 | -1 | 14.0 | 3.8 | 10.5 |
| 77½ | 53 | ASDA Group | 61½ | ... | ... | 3.3 | 14.0 |
| 270 | 170 | Acatos & Hutch | 220 | +1 | 6.5 | 3.0 | 15.6 |
| 76 | 55 | Albert Fisher | 63 | -2 | 3.7 | 7.4 | 10.5 |
| 407 | 287 | Argyll | 281 | ... | ... | 4.7 | 10.7 |
| 149 | 117 | Assoc Fisheries | 124 | ... | 8.0 | 8.1 | ... |
| 210 | 160 | Banks (S Q) | 198 | ... | 8.2 | 5.2 | 9.9 |
| 402 | 310 | Barr (AG) | 338 | -5 | 6.5 | 2.5 | 16.7 |
| 85 | 57 | Bensons Crsp | 73 | -1 | ... | 4.9 | 16.4 |
| 141 | 112½ | Berisford Intl | 129 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 455 | 357 | Booker | 394 | -1 | ... | 6.9 | 40.5 |
| 52 | 35 | Borthwick | 48 | ... | ... | 3.1 | 59.6 |
| 505 | 430 | Brake Bros | 499 | -2 | 6.2 | 1.6 | 20.8 |
| 51 | 38 | Budgen | 46 | -1 | 1.0 | 2.8 | ... |
| 511 | 413 | Cadbury-Schw | 442 | +4½ | ... | 3.7 | 16.4 |
| 107 | 78 | Carrs Milling | 107 | ... | 3.9 | 4.6 | 21.4 |
| 196 | 156 | Crosswick | 157 | -1 | ... | 6.4 | 11.8 |
| 22 | 8½ | Cullens | 17 | -½ | 0.5 | 3.7 | ... |
| 384 | 150 | Dalepak | 161 | ... | 6.0 | 4.8 | ... |
| 491 | 434 | Dalgety | 439 | +4 | 19.5 | 5.6 | 12.8 |
| 54 | 27 | Daniels S | 54 | ... | ... | 0.6 | ... |
| 200 | 191 | Devro | 194 | +1 | ... | 3.5 | 18.4 |
| 134 | 99 | Everest | 101 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 14.0 |
| 335 | 269 | Farepak | 335 | ... | ... | 2.1 | ... |
| 10 | 3 | Farringford | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 94 | 64 | Finlay (James) | 68 | -1 | ... | 7.6 | 22.6 |
| 125 | 78 | Fyffes | 103 | ... | ... | 1.6 | 16.6 |
| 480 | 328 | Geest | 350 | -5 | 8.1 | 2.9 | 15.6 |
| 12 | 7 | Global | 10 | ... | ... | 0.3 | 15.6 |
| 45 | 43 | Grand Central | 44 | ... | 1.2 | 3.6 | ... |
| 203 | 147 | Hazlewood Fds | 191 | -1 | ... | 4.3 | 10.8 |
| 171 | 131 | Hillsdown | 139 | ... | ... | 7.4 | 10.9 |
| 250 | 205½ | Iceland Group | 202 | -3 | ... | 2.0 | 18.5 |
| 131 | 103 | JLI Group | 103 | ... | 4.6 | 5.6 | ... |
| 853 | 655 | Kwik Save | 662 | +3 | 16.0 | 3.0 | 12.7 |
| 262 | 177 | Low (Wm) | 177 | -3 | 8.1 | 5.9 | 8.6 |
| 58 | 41 | Matthews (B) | 57 | ... | 2.2 | 4.9 | 17.3 |
| 19½ | 12½ | Merchant Retail | 15½ | -½ | 1.1 | 9.3 | 30.2 |
| 174 | 124 | Morrison (W) | 134 | +6 | ... | 0.7 | 17.4 |
| 568 | 443 | Nichols (JN) | 523 | -5 | 13.6 | 3.3 | 15.1 |
| 280 | 242 | Nthn Foods | 255 | +1 | ... | 4.1 | 12.7 |
| 22 | 13 | Nthmbrn Fns | 15 | ... | ... | ... | 6.3 |
| 229 | 122 | Nurdin Peack | 207 | ... | ... | 3.7 | 11.9 |
| 250 | 205 | Park Foods | 227 | -2 | 6.0 | 3.4 | ... |
| 115 | 79 | Perkins Food | 79 | -1 | ... | 7.0 | 8.6 |
| 90½ | 47 | PizzaExpress | 79 | ... | ... | 0.8 | 45.4 |
| 9 | 1½ | Regina Hlth | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 594 | 436 | Sainsbury J | 458 | +7 | ... | 2.7 | 16.1 |
| 68 | 33 | Sentry Farms | 68 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 12.2 |
| 225 | 105 | Sims Food | 121 | ... | ... | 7.2 | 23.3 |
| 439 | 357 | Tate & Lyle | 384 | -2 | 12.0 | 3.9 | 12.1 |
| 273 | 195 | Tesco | 202½ | +3½ | ... | 4.4 | 9.4 |
| 211 | 123 | Thorntons | 142 | ... | 3.6 | 3.2 | 13.2 |
| 183 | 100 | Trusthl | 151 | -3 | ... | 3.0 | 17.3 |
| 375 | 300 | Unigate | 342 | +1 | ... | 5.9 | 11.2 |
| 437 | 340½ | Utd Biscuits | 359½ | -2½ | ... | 5.3 | 18.5 |
| 25 | 20 | Usborne | 20 | ... | 0.4 | 2.5 | 12.3 |
| 337 | 248 | Watson & Phil | 274 | -7 | 13.3 | 6.1 | 14.3 |

## HOTELS, CATERERS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 16 | 12 | Abrdn Stk Hs | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 89 | 77 | City Centre Rest | 83 | -2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 20.0 |
| 231 | 170 | Forte | 221 | -2 | ... | 4.1 | 17.3 |
| 220 | 155 | Friendly Hotels | 196 | -6 | 5.7 | 3.6 | 37.4 |
| 8½ | 5 | Harmony Leis | 7½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 110½ | 87 | Jarys Hotel | 109½ | -1 | ... | 6.7 | ... |
| 215 | 154 | Ladbroke | 179½ | -½ | 11.1 | 7.8 | 15.3 |
| 73 | 59 | Mandarin Orntl | 67 | ... | ... | 4.7 | 18.0 |
| 59 | 44 | Queens Moat | 47½ | ... | 2.8 | 7.6 | 6.3 |
| 99 | 83 | -do- 7½% cvpr | 85 | ... | 7.5 | 11.0 | ... |
| 2 | ¼ | Regal Hotels | 1½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 55 | 28 | Resort Hotels | 45 | ... | 3.4 | 9.6 | 8.8 |
| 24 | 11½ | Ryan Hotels E | 17½ | ... | ... | 6.3 | ... |
| 885 | 700 | Savoy Hotel 'A' | 845 | ... | 7.0 | 1.0 | ... |
| 57 | 34½ | Stakis | 56 | ... | ... | 1.0 | ... |

## INDUSTRIALS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 218 | 100 | AAF Inds | 100 | -2 | ... | 11.0 | 6.1 |
| 616 | 455 | AAH | 455 | -5 | ... | 4.8 | 14.6 |
| 175 | 140 | ABI | 175 | ... | 7.5 | 5.5 | ... |
| 132 | 88 | APV | 93 | ... | ... | 7.3 | ... |
| 233 | 81 | ASW | 205 | +3 | ... | 3.7 | ... |
| 176 | 124 | Adwest | 171 | ... | 7.0 | 5.1 | 24.3 |
| 28 | 10 | Aerospace Eng | 24½ | ... | 1.0 | ... | 14.9 |
| 518 | 434 | Airsprung | 480 | ... | 9.0 | 2.3 | ... |
| 147 | 113 | Alenfra W | 145 | ... | 3.8 | 3.3 | 40.1 |
| 13½ | 7 | Allied Radio | 7½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 545 | 415 | Alumsac | 545 | ... | 11.0 | 2.5 | 16.7 |
| 45 | 17 | Alvis | 41 | -1 | 1.0 | 3.0 | 8.4 |
| 475 | 345 | Amber Ind | 475 | ... | ... | 4.9 | 10.9 |
| 40 | 18 | Amberley Gp | 40 | ... | ... | 3.2 | ... |
| 78 | 70 | Anagen | 70 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 145 | 130 | Andrews Sykes | 112 | +1 | ... | 5.0 | ... |
| 925 | 703 | Antofagasta | 925 | -55 | ... | 2.2 | 17.1 |
| 50½ | 37 | Armour | 44½ | ... | 1.4 | 4.2 | 13.1 |
| 170 | 143 | Ash & Lacy | 151 | ... | 6.4 | 3.3 | 15.4 |
| 3½ | 2½ | Ass Br Eng | 3½ | ... | 0.0 | 2.0 | ... |
| 541½ | 434 | Avon Rubber | 494 | +8 | ... | 4.2 | 19.7 |
| 235 | 168 | Assoc Nursg | 225 | ... | ... | 0.6 | 13.8 |
| 687½ | 544½ | Atlas Equip | 660 | ... | ... | 4.2 | 16.3 |
| 61 | 35 | Aymbler Metal | 52 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 172 | 147 | BBA | 164 | -1 | ... | 5.7 | 13.9 |
| 65 | 28 | BLP Group | 46 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 17 | 13 | BM Gp | 17 | ... | 5.0 | ... | 0.7 |
| 770 | 635 | BOC | 660 | ... | 23.2 | 4.4 | 14.5 |
| 79½ | 62 | BSG | 69½ | ... | ... | 6.0 | 23.1 |
| 487 | 353 | BSS Group | 426 | -2 | ... | 5.1 | 26.5 |
| 380 | 318 | BTR | 370½ | +2½ | ... | 3.2 | 21.2 |
| 221 | 158 | BWI | 158 | -2 | 6.7 | 5.3 | 15.2 |
| 41½ | 31 | Babcock | 36½ | ... | ... | 7.2 | 21.8 |
| 7½ | 4½ | Bailey (CH) | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 289 | 240 | Baird (Wm) | 241 | -3 | 8.9 | 4.6 | 16.7 |
| 1052½ | 559½ | Barlow Rand | 637½ | ... | ... | 5.4 | 3.6 |
| 63 | 48 | Baynes (Charles) | 60 | -1 | ... | 3.0 | 24.6 |
| 15 | 5 | Beaufort | 7½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 8¼ | 6 | Beckenham | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 34 | 15 | Bedford (W) | 27 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 27½ | 15½ | Benson Group | 17 | ... | 0.1 | 0.7 | 15.7 |
| 707 | 461 | Bespak | 514 | -4 | 10.0 | 2.4 | ... |
| 133 | 73 | Bibby (J) | 76 | ... | 9.7 | ... | 4.5 |
| 312 | 129 | Billam (J) | 260 | -3 | 5.0 | 2.4 | 13.1 |
| 41 | 21½ | Bilston Batsn | 32 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 11½ | 3½ | Bimec Ind | 5½ | ... | 0.6 | ... | ... |
| 155 | 118½ | Birkby | 153 | -12 | ... | 2.9 | ... |
| 45 | 32 | Black Arrow | 42 | -1 | 2.6 | 8.0 | ... |
| 1½ | ½ | Black & Edgtn | 1¼ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 183 | 136 | Black (Peter) | 173 | ... | 2.9 | 2.1 | 17.8 |
| 323 | 129 | Bluebird Toys | 300 | +1 | ... | 1.0 | 18.7 |
| 283½ | 247 | Bodycote | 279 | +1 | ... | 2.2 | 17.8 |
| 40 | 23 | Bogod 'A' | 28 | +2 | 0.3 | 1.6 | ... |
| 569 | 446 | Boots | 432 | +3 | ... | 3.9 | 16.0 |
| 61 | 42 | Booth Inds | 48 | ... | 0.7 | 1.8 | ... |
| 517 | 435½ | Bowater | 454 | +7 | 11.5 | 3.2 | 17.9 |
| 1682 | 1287 | Bowater Inc | 1280 | -42 | ... | ... | ... |
| 248 | 199 | Braymore Inds | 243 | ... | ... | 1.9 | 18.2 |
| 19 | 12½ | Brasway | 14½ | ... | 0.5 | 4.5 | ... |
| 268 | 204 | Brammer | 250 | ... | 13.0 | 6.5 | 22.8 |
| 22 | 12 | Bridgend Gp | 21½ | ... | 0.4 | 2.3 | ... |
| 119 | 64 | Bridon | 103 | ... | ... | 4.9 | 72.9 |
| 88 | 53 | Bridport-Gndry | 82 | -1 | 4.1 | 6.3 | 15.4 |
| 42 | 31 | Brierley Inv | 40 | ... | ... | 7.9 | 9.8 |
| 308 | 250 | Br Bldg & Eng | 250 | ... | ... | 1.2 | ... |
| 59 | 42 | Br Bloodstock | 53 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 528 | 457 | Br Polythene | 509 | +1 | ... | 2.5 | 18.2 |
| 108½ | 54 | Br Steel | 108 | +1 | ... | 1.2 | ... |
| 180 | 100 | Br Syphon | 175 | -5 | ... | 3.3 | 31.6 |
| 17 | 11½ | Br Thornton | 14½ | ... | ... | 2.2 | ... |
| 268 | 215 | Br Vita | 235 | +1 | 7.1 | 3.8 | 14.5 |
| 15 | 6½ | Britton Grp | 14½ | ... | 0.1 | 0.2 | ... |
| 730 | 535 | Brown Hill | 665 | +7 | ... | 2.7 | 31.5 |
| 109 | 78 | Bromsgrove Ind | 102 | ... | 4.4 | 5.4 | ... |
| 10½ | 6½ | Brooke Tool | 8½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 70 | 44 | Brown & Tawse | 52 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 120 | 91 | Bulloagh | 111 | ... | 6.0 | 6.9 | 18.7 |
| 26 | 13 | Business Tech | 18 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 28 | 17 | CI Group | 23 | ... | 1.0 | 5.4 | 22.1 |
| 35 | 11½ | Campbell & Arm | 11½ | -2½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 34 | 6½ | Cannon St | 29½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 243 | 205 | Cape | 240 | ... | ... | 3.5 | 16.2 |
| 245 | 178 | Carclo Eng | 243 | ... | 8.6 | 4.4 | 17.3 |
| 2888 | 2138 | Carnaud MB | 2463 | ... | ... | 2.6 | ... |
| 78 | 68 | Cassidy Bros | 71 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 11.3 |
| 198 | 158 | Castings | 198 | ... | 4.3 | 2.7 | 14.0 |
| 145 | 113 | Chamberlin Hill | 136 | ... | 6.2 | 5.8 | 8.4 |
| 707 | 605 | Charter Cons | 648 | -2 | ... | 4.3 | 14.9 |
| 285 | 220 | Chemring | 284 | ... | ... | 3.6 | 17.1 |
| 92 | 47 | Chieftain Gp | 49 | ... | 5.1 | 13.0 | 10.5 |
| 35 | 17 | Chillington | 30 | ... | 0.2 | 1.0 | ... |
| 204 | 144 | Christies Int | 177 | -4 | ... | 1.1 | 80.0 |
| 61 | 34 | Clayhithe | 58 | ... | 2.5 | 5.4 | ... |
| 95 | 70 | Clayton Son | 90 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 7 | 7 | Co Designers | 7 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 400 | 320 | Cohen (A) | 335 | ... | 6.8 | 2.5 | ... |
| 223 | 179 | Community H | 190 | ... | 6.5 | 4.3 | 11.8 |
| 246 | 186½ | Concentric | 214 | -1 | ... | 3.3 | 18.0 |
| 209 | 120 | Cook (Wm) | 200 | ... | 5.0 | 3.2 | ... |
| 220 | 182 | Cookson | 206 | -2 | ... | 3.6 | 27.3 |
| 63 | 38 | Copyrtcore | 63 | ... | ... | 2.0 | 19.2 |
| 238 | 138 | Cowll Fkr 'A' | 131 | ... | 5.7 | 5.4 | 11.2 |
| 178 | 92 | Covell | 108 | ... | 10.7 | ... | 16.4 |
| 224 | 150 | Creighton Nts | 165 | ... | ... | 5.5 | 16.1 |
| 48 | 27 | CrestaCare | 42 | ... | 0.5 | 1.5 | 36.3 |
| 3687½ | 2993½ | Dana | 3662¼ | -37½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 236 | 78½ | Danks Bt Sys | 216 | -2 | ... | 0.7 | 20.5 |
| 318 | 266 | Laird | 318 | +4 | ... | 4.1 | 15.7 |
| 186 | 105 | Lee (Arthur) | 185 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 78.6 |
| 153 | 110 | Lilleshall | 150 | ... | 4.2 | 3.5 | 18.5 |
| 153 | 97 | Locas | 142 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 12.3 |
| 18½ | 4½ | Lincoln Hse | 16½ | ... | ... | ... | 13.6 |
| 128 | 76 | Linread | 115 | -1 | 3.7 | 4.1 | 17.8 |
| 213 | 170 | Linton Park | 200 | ... | 14.0 | 8.8 | ... |
| 15½ | 10½ | Lionheart | 13 | ... | 0.2 | 1.9 | ... |
| 22½ | 15 | Locker (T) A | 22½ | ... | 1.0 | 5.6 | 32.7 |
| 274 | 173 | Lon Intl | 193 | +2 | 9.4 | 6.1 | ... |
| 135 | 70 | Lonrho | 126 | ... | ... | 4.0 | ... |
| 359 | 269 | Low & Bonar | 359 | +1 | ... | 3.2 | 49.9 |
| 343 | 265 | MB-Caradon | 268 | ... | ... | 4.0 | 20.8 |
| 160½ | 135 | -do- pf | 138 | ... | 7.2 | 6.6 | ... |
| 30 | 14½ | ML Hldgs | 28½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 43 | 27 | MS Intl | 39 | ... | 2.5 | 8.3 | ... |
| 50 | 39 | MY Holdings | 44 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 13.4 |
| 192 | 168 | Macfarlane | 192 | +2 | ... | 2.1 | 21.7 |
| 439 | 379 | McKechnie | 434 | +1 | 14.7 | 4.2 | 21.5 |
| 106 | 85 | McLeod Russel | 95 | -1 | 6.0 | 7.9 | 11.6 |
| 10½ | 3½ | Maddox | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | 19.1 |
| 85 | 63 | Magnolia | 85 | ... | 0.1 | 0.1 | 43.7 |
| 106 | 71 | Mang Bronze | 92 | ... | 1.0 | 1.4 | ... |
| 27 | 20½ | Marling | 23 | ... | ... | 3.6 | ... |
| 179 | 126 | Mayborn | 166 | ... | ... | 3.8 | 13.8 |
| 55 | 29 | Mayflower | 55 | ... | ... | 2.8 | 45.9 |
| 236 | 97½ | Medeva | 107½ | -½ | ... | 2.6 | 8.7 |
| 113 | 88 | Meggitt | 108 | +1 | ... | 4.4 | 18.4 |
| 118 | 98 | Metalr | 110 | ... | ... | 4.1 | 17.8 |
| 76 | 70 | Metsec | 76 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 83 | 29 | Midstates | 71 | -1 | ... | 1.3 | 9.9 |
| 25 | 14 | Mining & Ald | 23½ | ... | 0.5 | 2.7 | ... |
| 458 | 368 | Molins | 456 | -3 | ... | 3.8 | 11.8 |
| 345 | 262 | Morgan Cble | 280 | -4 | ... | 5.6 | 14.9 |
| 176 | 134 | Morris Ashby | 175 | +1 | ... | 3.9 | ... |
| 31 | 18 | Neepsend | 28 | +6 | 0.7 | 3.4 | ... |
| 60 | 34 | Nestor-BNA | 54 | +2 | 3.1 | 7.3 | 12.9 |
| 191 | 122 | Nobo Gp | 183 | +3 | 4.8 | 3.3 | ... |
| 167 | 122½ | Norcros | 153 | -2 | ... | 5.7 | 22.4 |
| 51 | 35 | Novo Group | 46 | ... | 1.3 | 3.6 | ... |
| 413 | 310 | Nu-Swift | 333 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 53 | 36 | Office Elec Mac | 50 | ... | 0.1 | 0.2 | ... |
| 39½ | 21 | OMI Intl | 29½ | +½ | 1.7 | 7.7 | ... |
| 140 | 123 | PCT | 125 | ... | ... | 7.3 | 14.2 |
| 48 | 36 | Pacer Systems | 36 | ... | ... | 10.2 | ... |
| 138 | 102 | Pentland | 102 | -2 | ... | 3.1 | 13.9 |
| 385 | 310 | Photo-Me | 374 | ... | 4.4 | 1.5 | 19.1 |
| 137 | 97½ | Pilkington | 132 | +1 | ... | 3.8 | ... |
| 79 | 68 | Plantsbrook | 69 | ... | 3.0 | 5.4 | 10.9 |
| 154 | 126 | Polypipe | 128 | ... | 1.9 | 1.9 | 18.5 |
| 42 | 19 | Porter Chadburn | 33 | ... | 1.2 | 4.8 | ... |
| 9 | 5½ | Porth Gp | 8½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 376 | 306 | Powerscreen | 340 | +1 | ... | 2.4 | 17.7 |
| 20 | 16½ | Prospect Inds | 17½ | ... | 0.7 | 5.5 | 8.5 |
| 54 | 33½ | RPS Group | 51 | ... | ... | 5.4 | 11.3 |
| 98 | 73 | Radiant Metal | 84 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 185 | 77 | Ransco Ofc | 125 | -1 | ... | 1.0 | 41.9 |
| 799 | 636 | Rank Org | 702 | -5 | 31.0 | 5.5 | 19.2 |
| 33 | 23 | Ransomes | 26 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 657 | 532 | Reckitt Colm | 551 | -2 | ... | 3.7 | 20.0 |
| 77 | 50 | Record | 73 | ... | 3.6 | 6.2 | 35.9 |
| 7½ | 2½ | Reece | 4½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 194 | 131 | Relyon | 192 | ... | 4.9 | 3.2 | 23.0 |
| 303 | 208 | Renishaw | 253 | +9 | 6.5 | 3.2 | 19.4 |
| 82 | 55 | Renold | 82 | +1 | ... | 1.5 | ... |
| 1438 | 1240 | Reuters | 1404 | -3 | 21.2 | 1.9 | 23.2 |
| 38 | 24½ | Rexmore | 37½ | ... | 1.7 | 5.8 | 9.2 |
| 123 | 91 | Ricardo Group | 122 | ... | 5.7 | 5.8 | 34.3 |
| 68 | 58 | Richard (Leics) | 66 | ... | 4.4 | 8.3 | ... |
| 83 | 63 | Richardson West | 70 | ... | 3.0 | 4.9 | 19.5 |
| 128 | 109 | Ropner | 118 | ... | 8.2 | 8.7 | 16.7 |
| 122 | 97 | -do- 'A' | 114 | ... | 8.2 | 9.0 | 16.2 |
| 38 | 26 | Ross Gp | 26 | ... | 0.8 | 3.1 | 10.6 |
| 171 | 131½ | Rotork | 159 | +1 | ... | 2.9 | 21.0 |
| 170 | 100 | Rubicon | 167 | ... | ... | 3.4 | ... |
| 65 | 43 | Russell (A) | 60 | ... | ... | 2.1 | ... |
| 28 | 15 | SEP Indf | 25 | ... | ... | 3.8 | 22.6 |
| 937½ | 625 | SKF 'B' | 887½ | +12½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 45 | 39 | Saville Grdn (J) | 44½ | ... | 2.2 | 6.2 | 17.6 |
| 248 | 208 | Scapa | 209 | -2 | ... | 3.4 | 15.9 |
| 238 | 192 | Scholl | 209 | -3 | ... | 3.8 | 15.2 |
| 6½ | 4 | Scot Heritable | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 990 | 917 | Securicor | 980 | -3 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 37.1 |
| 666 | 502 | -do- 'A' | 644 | ... | 2.6 | 0.5 | 24.5 |
| 565 | 465 | Security Serv | 540 | ... | 5.0 | 1.2 | 26.6 |
| 111 | 98 | Senior Eng | 111 | ... | ... | 3.5 | 18.5 |
| 361 | 250 | Seton Health | 290 | -2 | ... | 2.5 | 17.1 |

## INSURANCE

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1993½ | 1543½ | Alex & Alex | 1725 | -12½ | ... | 1.6 | ... |
| 2275 | 1787½ | Am Gen | 2037½ | ... | ... | 3.4 | ... |
| 47 | 30 | Archer (AJ) | 38 | ... | 4.4 | ... | 18.5 |
| 148 | 118 | Bradstock | 138 | ... | 5.1 | 4.7 | 16.8 |
| 468 | 359½ | Britannic | 435 | -24 | ... | 3.2 | ... |
| 641 | 556 | Com Union | 609 | -14 | ... | 5.0 | ... |
| 1570 | 1325 | Dom & Gen | 1558 | ... | ... | 1.4 | 25.7 |
| 30 | 16 | FAI | 29 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 635 | 546 | Gen Accident | 633 | +1 | 26.7 | 5.3 | ... |
| 206 | 160 | GRE | 193 | -9 | 7.0 | 4.5 | 16.0 |
| 370 | 293 | Heath C E | 350 | +2 | ... | 5.7 | ... |
| 228 | 166 | Hogg Gp | 210 | ... | 8.1 | 4.9 | 19.0 |
| 218 | 164 | JIB Group | 212 | ... | 7.5 | 4.4 | 21.5 |
| 513 | 408½ | Legal & Gen | 470 | -31 | ... | 5.1 | 28.6 |
| 1026 | 768 | Liberty Life | 978 | -17 | ... | 3.0 | 16.9 |
| 465 | 403 | Lloyds Abbey | 412 | -28 | 17.3 | 5.2 | 14.8 |
| 321 | 253 | Lloyd Thomp | 318 | ... | 5.6 | 2.2 | 23.4 |
| 368 | 274 | Londn & Man | 332 | -12 | 14.2 | 5.4 | 24.5 |
| 412 | 321 | Lowndes Lmb | 411 | -1 | 13.5 | 4.2 | 14.4 |
| 6743½ | 5600 | Marsh McLn | 5675 | +25 | ... | 3.0 | ... |
| 97 | 76 | Orlel | 89 | ... | ... | 7.0 | ... |
| 68 | 50 | PWS | 65 | ... | ... | 7.6 | 9.6 |
| 349 | 282½ | Prudential | 309½ | -22 | ... | 4.8 | 20.6 |
| 1138 | 800 | Refuge | 950 | -33 | 31.5 | 4.1 | 26.3 |
| 327 | 248 | Royal | 323 | -2½ | ... | 2.5 | ... |
| 202 | 153 | Sedgwick | 198 | -1 | 6.0 | 3.8 | 23.9 |
| 261 | 205 | Steel Burrill | 253 | ... | ... | 6.5 | 14.9 |
| 87 | 48 | Sturge Hldgs | 62 | -1 | 8.2 | ... | 6.3 |
| 387 | 307 | Sun Alliance | 374 | -10 | 14.2 | 4.8 | ... |
| 61 | 50 | Trade Indemnty | 56 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 321 | 239 | Transatlantic | 312 | -5 | 12.0 | 4.8 | 28.9 |
| 773 | 499 | Utd Friendly | 638 | -25 | 14.5 | 2.8 | 27.8 |
| 234 | 171 | Willis Corroon | 214 | +2 | ... | 3.9 | 46.0 |
| 20 | 13½ | Windsor | 18 | ... | ... | ... | 14.1 |

## INVESTMENT TRUSTS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1708 | 1548 | Alliance | 1670 | +3 | 45.0 | 3.4 | 36.5 |
| 260 | 226½ | Amer Trust | 247 | +1 | 4.9 | 2.5 | 51.3 |
| 363 | 304 | Ang & O'seas | 357 | ... | 6.8 | 2.4 | 45.3 |
| 139½ | 126 | B2W Conv | 130 | ... | 7.3 | 7.5 | 15.2 |
| 163 | 133½ | Bankers | 161½ | +1 | 3.4 | 2.7 | 44.4 |
| 298 | 264 | Baring Tribne | 284 | ... | 6.4 | 2.9 | 44.6 |
| 175 | 131 | Berry Starq | 174 | ... | 2.2 | 1.6 | 56.6 |
| 106½ | 96½ | Br Assets | 102 | +½ | ... | 5.2 | 25.0 |
| 74 | 57½ | Br Empire Sec | 73 | ... | 0.8 | 1.5 | 74.1 |
| 24½ | 14 | -do- Wnts | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 173 | 156 | Br Inv | 167 | ... | 4.5 | 3.4 | 37.6 |
| 166 | 130 | Contl Asset | 166 | ... | 2.4 | 1.8 | 54.9 |
| 195 | 144 | Derby Inc | 153 | ... | 16.6 | 13.6 | 9.2 |
| 260 | 195 | -do- Cap | 250 | +5 | ... | ... | ... |
| 73 | 62 | Drayton Blue | 64 | ... | 8.4 | 16.4 | 7.1 |
| 76 | 35 | -do- Eng Intl | 70 | ... | 1.2 | 2.1 | ... |
| 121 | 84 | -do- Far East | 118 | ... | 0.6 | 0.7 | ... |
| 122 | 95 | -do- Korea | 117 | -1 | 0.5 | 0.6 | ... |
| 631 | 576 | Dunedin Inc G | 591 | -1 | 25.4 | 5.4 | 22.2 |
| 611 | 513 | -do- Wwide | 610 | +1 | 9.5 | 1.9 | 62.8 |
| 270 | 222 | Dundee & Lon | 267 | +1 | ... | 4.2 | 24.6 |
| 275 | 250½ | Edinburgh | 272 | +2 | 8.4 | 3.9 | 29.8 |
| 261 | 183 | Electra Inv | 258 | ... | 6.7 | 3.2 | 35.2 |
| 173 | 141 | Electric Gen | 173 | ... | 3.1 | 2.3 | ... |
| 99 | 85 | English Scn | 99 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 260 | 205 | European Asset | 259 | ... | ... | 2.9 | 31.6 |
| 106 | 77 | Finsbury 'A' | 105 | ... | 3.0 | 3.6 | 33.8 |
| 290 | 248 | Fleming Amer | 268 | -2 | 0.7 | 0.3 | ... |
| 206 | 190½ | -do- Claver | 202 | ... | ... | 3.3 | 39.8 |
| 271 | 212 | Do Corp | 268 | -1 | 2.7 | 1.3 | ... |
| 185 | 147 | -do- Emrg | 182 | ... | 4.7 | 3.3 | ... |
| 301 | 213 | -do- F East | 284 | ... | 1.1 | 0.5 | ... |
| 306 | 246 | -do- Fledg | 298½ | -½ | 3.0 | 1.3 | ... |
| 118 | 93 | -do- Hi Inc | 93 | -1 | ... | 5.9 | 15.9 |
| 236 | 136 | -do- Japan | 229 | -1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | ... |
| 271 | 230 | -do- Merc | 258 | -1 | 6.7 | 3.2 | 55.2 |
| 257 | 212 | -do- Oseas | 257 | -1 | 4.0 | 1.9 | 61.5 |
| 233 | 223 | Foreign & Col | 232 | -½ | 3.3 | 1.8 | 63.2 |
| 210 | 164 | -do- Eurotst | 191 | ... | 1.2 | 0.8 | ... |
| 110 | 87 | -do- German | 108 | ... | 0.5 | 0.6 | ... |
| 279 | 191 | -do- Pacific | 275 | ... | 1.9 | 0.9 | ... |
| 152 | 116 | -do- Smaller | 151½ | ... | 1.8 | 1.5 | 76.6 |
| 233 | 145 | GT Japan | 227 | -2 | ... | 0.6 | ... |
| 139 | 65 | Genl Cons Cap | 125 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 125½ | 96½ | -do- Inc | 110 | ... | ... | 10.0 | 11.0 |
| 145 | 115 | Govett Am Smlr | 129 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 291 | 184 | -do- Oriental | 270 | ... | 0.9 | 0.4 | ... |
| 260 | 227 | -do- Strategy | 245 | +3 | ... | 3.4 | 33.8 |
| 375 | 340 | Greenfriar | 375 | ... | ... | 2.1 | 56.0 |
| 19 | 5 | Gresham House | 19 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 53 | 47 | Independent Inv | 52½ | ... | 0.5 | 1.2 | ... |
| 134 | 12½ | Inv Cap | 130½ | +½ | 5.1 | 4.9 | 26.0 |
| 95 | 77 | IRS UK Smllr | 94 | ... | 2.8 | 3.7 | 28.2 |
| 183 | 159½ | Kleinwort Chrt | 176 | +1 | 5.0 | 3.6 | 34.3 |
| 208 | 176 | -do- O'seas | 207 | +1 | 3.3 | 2.0 | 58.8 |
| 127 | 108 | -do- Smlr | 122 | +1 | 4.0 | 4.1 | 29.6 |
| 607 | 540 | Law Debenture | 606 | +1 | 18.2 | 3.8 | 30.3 |
| 175 | 104 | Majedie | 174 | -1 | ... | 3.4 | 33.7 |
| 249 | 221 | Merchants | 237 | +2 | 10.6 | 5.6 | 22.0 |
| 5793½ | 3700 | Merrill Lynch | 5431½ | -43½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 440 | 383 | Monks Inv Tst | 433 | +3 | ... | 1.9 | 54.9 |
| 126 | 105 | Morg Gren Inc | 122 | +1 | ... | 4.7 | 24.2 |
| 37 | 23 | Do Warrants | 35 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 47 | 39 | Murray Euro | 44 | ... | 0.1 | 0.5 | ... |
| 12 | 4½ | Do Wts | 11½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 315 | 282 | Murray Income | 310 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 29.5 |
| 319 | 265 | -do- Intl | 301 | +2 | 11.4 | 4.7 | 27.1 |
| 325 | 263 | -do- Small | 325 | +1 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 70.1 |
| 103 | 90½ | -do- S/C Inc | 97 | ... | ... | 13.7 | 9.5 |
| 102 | 73 | -do- S/C Cap | 102 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 3050 | 2750 | -do- S/C Uts | 2990 | ... | ... | 4.5 | ... |
| 147½ | 142½ | -do- S/C DP | 145 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 226 | 230 | -do- Vent | 276 | ... | ... | 4.7 | 21.8 |
| 90 | 56½ | New Frontier | 80 | +1 | 0.2 | 0.4 | ... |
| 85 | 68 | Nethrug Inc | 76 | ... | 6.7 | 11.3 | 14.3 |
| 302 | 249 | O'seas Inv Tst | 298 | -1 | 2.8 | 1.2 | ... |
| 388 | 285 | Pacific Assets | 367 | ... | 1.1 | 0.4 | ... |
| 291 | 187 | Do Warrants | 269 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 8200 | 7650 | Personal Assets | 8125 | ... | ... | 2.5 | 48.5 |
| 156 | 100 | RIT Cap Pttr | 155 | ... | 1.1 | 0.9 | ... |
| 123 | 108 | River & Merc | 113 | ... | 9.2 | 10.4 | 11.0 |
| 398 | 350 | Robeco | 385 | ... | ... | 3.4 | ... |
| 390 | 346 | Rolinco | 383 | ... | ... | 2.1 | ... |
| 260 | 214 | St Andrew Inv | 260 | ... | 7.5 | 3.6 | 34.8 |
| 148½ | 131 | Scot American | 145 | -½ | ... | 4.0 | 30.4 |
| 209 | 136 | Scot Asian | 191 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 435 | 225 | do Warrants | 410 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 75 | 63½ | -do- Eastern | 71½ | +1 | 1.5 | 2.7 | 47.0 |
| 205 | 183 | Scottish | 190 | +1 | 4.6 | 2.9 | 41.3 |
| 201 | 178 | -do- Mtge | 194 | +1 | 4.0 | 2.6 | 50.3 |
| 88 | 71 | -do- Value | 88 | +1 | ... | 2.6 | 62.7 |
| 1505 | 1390 | Second Allnce | 1469 | +3 | 36.5 | 3.1 | 39.5 |
| 84½ | 74½ | Secs Tst of Scot | 80½ | +½ | 3.2 | 5.0 | 26.7 |
| 140 | 107½ | Selective Asset | 140 | +2 | 1.2 | 1.1 | 50.3 |
| 27½ | 14 | Sphere Inv | 25½ | +1 | 3.1 | 15.2 | 8.2 |
| 145 | 112 | TR Far East | 139½ | ... | 4.5 | 4.0 | 30.6 |
| 140½ | 126 | TR City Of Lon | 137½ | -½ | 4.7 | 4.3 | 28.9 |
| 154 | 110 | TR Pacific | 139 | -1 | 0.3 | 0.3 | ... |
| 28½ | 17 | TR Property | 26½ | ... | 0.9 | 4.3 | 22.5 |
| 70 | 47 | TR Tech Inv | 69 | ... | 1.7 | 3.2 | 25.6 |
| 182 | 146 | TR Smlr Cos | 174 | +1 | 3.7 | 2.7 | 51.0 |
| 315 | 283 | Temple Bar | 307 | +1 | 13.2 | 5.4 | 23.2 |
| 91 | 69 | Thrmtn Asian E | 85 | ... | 0.5 | 0.7 | ... |
| 72 | 54 | Throgmorton | 69 | -½ | 2.3 | 4.2 | 27.8 |
| 480 | 363 | Throg Dual Cp | 478 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 208 | 179 | USDC Invest | 208 | ... | 4.5 | 2.7 | 38.3 |
| 104 | 76½ | Value Inc Tst | 102½ | +½ | 3.6 | 4.4 | 25.8 |
| 609 | 542 | Whitbread Inv | 602 | ... | 16.5 | 3.4 | 36.3 |
| 199 | 181 | Witan | 196 | +1 | 5.6 | 3.6 | 33.9 |

## LEISURE

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 362 | 269 | Airtours | 354 | -2 | 7.2 | 2.6 | 12.5 |
| 64 | 42 | Ald Leis | 62 | ... | 4.7 | ... | 17.8 |
| 357 | 194 | Anglia TV | 331 | ... | ... | 3.5 | 15.3 |
| 103 | 63 | Baldwin | 83 | ... | 3.0 | 6.0 | 8.6 |
| 249 | 192 | Barr & W 'A' | 234 | ... | 10.0 | 5.6 | 14.5 |
| 1200 | 930 | Boosey Hwks | 1195 | ... | 22.0 | 2.3 | 17.0 |
| 153 | 90 | Border TV | 136 | ... | ... | 3.1 | ... |
| 10½ | 4½ | Brent Walker | 6½ | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 58 | 48 | Bristol Scots | 53 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 8 | 2½ | Buckingham Int | 4½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 202 | 110 | Campari | 138 | ... | ... | 10.9 | ... |
| 198 | 171 | Capital Radio | 198 | +1 | 5.2 | 3.3 | 22.8 |
| 818 | 718 | Carlton Comm | 739 | +6 | 17.0 | 2.9 | 21.8 |
| 200 | 158 | Castle Comm | 176 | ... | ... | 6.0 | 16.1 |
| 2080 | 1615 | Central TV | 1963 | ... | 38.0 | 2.4 | 21.4 |
| 83 | 61 | Chrysalis | 69 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 580 | 470 | Compass Gp | 500 | -7 | ... | 3.3 | 15.0 |
| 350 | 179 | Eurocamp | 183 | ... | 9.7 | 6.7 | 7.6 |
| 1180 | 623 | Euro Disney | 665 | +12 | ... | 1.8 | ... |
| 8 | 3½ | Euro Leisure | 4½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 31 | 18 | Ex-Lands | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 390 | 245 | Fairline Boats | 268 | ... | 10.5 | 4.9 | ... |
| 378 | 317 | First Leisure | 318 | -6 | 6.1 | 2.4 | 21.9 |
| 515 | 298 | GWR Gp | 505 | ... | ... | 1.7 | 26.0 |
| 239 | 149 | Grampian | 228 | ... | 6.1 | 3.3 | 15.8 |
| 6 | 4½ | Greenwich Comm | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 62½ | 19 | HTV Group | 52 | ... | ... | ... | 23.1 |
| 76 | 30 | Hi-Tec Sports | 50 | ... | ... | 5.0 | ... |
| 12½ | 5½ | Kunick | 9½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 490 | 262 | LWT CP | 466 | +2 | ... | 1.3 | 21.6 |
| 475 | 322 | Man Utd | 428 | +3 | 18.0 | 5.3 | 14.7 |
| 148 | 60 | Owners Abrd | 66 | +1 | 3.5 | 6.8 | 5.2 |
| 46 | 33 | The Pelican Gp | 43 | ... | ... | 2.2 | ... |
| 160 | 55 | Prism Leisure | 158 | ... | ... | 2.6 | ... |
| 28 | 16 | Quadrant Grp | 27 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 318 | 224 | Radio Clyde | 295 | -2 | ... | 3.6 | 23.1 |
| 178 | 132 | Ramsdens (H) | 178 | ... | ... | 3.2 | 23.5 |
| 553 | 431 | Scot TV | 516 | -3 | 9.9 | 2.4 | 25.4 |
| 40 | 37 | Southern Radio | 38 | -1 | 0.7 | 2.6 | 15.8 |
| 229 | 168 | Stanley Leisure | 228 | ... | 4.3 | 2.4 | ... |
| 10 | 5½ | Smileigh | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 145 | 118 | Sunset & Vine | 120 | ... | 3.5 | 3.6 | 14.0 |
| 420 | 345½ | Tanjong | 345½ | ... | ... | 0.4 | ... |
| 2½ | 1 | Ticketing | 2½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 117 | 84 | Tottenham Hot | 99 | +1 | ... | ... | 3.2 |
| 78 | 44 | Trans World | 55 | ... | ... | 1.8 | 20.1 |
| 481 | 274 | Ulster TV | 466 | ... | 10.0 | 2.7 | 14.3 |
| 101 | 62 | Vardon | 98 | ... | 0.7 | 1.0 | 23.1 |
| 22 | 13½ | Wembley | 14 | ... | 0.2 | 1.8 | ... |
| 36 | 7½ | Whitegate | 33 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 215 | 110 | Yorkshire TV | 206 | +3 | 12.0 | 7.3 | 6.2 |
| 113 | 83 | Zetters Gp | 113 | ... | 8.0 | 8.8 | 11.4 |

## MINING

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5300 | 1800 | Am Gold | 4950 | +125 | ... | 4.2 | 23.8 |
| 1612½ | 1018½ | Ang Am Coal | 1593½ | +6½ | ... | 5.8 | 8.0 |
| 2187½ | 1125 | Ang Am | 2100 | +50 | ... | 3.3 | 17.3 |
| 30½ | 8½ | Anglo Pac Res | 28 | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 125 | 33 | Blyvoors | 115 | +11 | ... | 5.3 | 6.3 |
| 46 | 18 | Bracken | 35 | ... | ... | ... | 2.0 |
| 871 | 233 | Buffels | 735 | +33 | ... | 8.9 | ... |
| 2½ | 1 | Butte | 2½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 684 | 546 | CRA | 620 | +8 | ... | 3.4 | 19.9 |
| 43½ | 11 | Cluff Res | 37 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 1262½ | 762½ | De Beers | 1187½ | +31½ | ... | 4.1 | 16.0 |
| 157 | 37½ | Deelkraal | 150 | +5 | ... | 1.3 | ... |
| 96 | 7 | Doornfontein | 70 | +4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 913 | 388 | Driefontein | 810 | +45 | ... | 3.8 | ... |
| 709 | 120 | Durban | 618 | -33 | ... | ... | ... |
| 201 | 47 | E Rand Gold | 161 | -6 | ... | 7.2 | 4.5 |
| 180 | 62 | E Dagga | 167 | -5 | ... | ... | 14.0 |
| 270 | 54 | E Rand Prop | 234 | +3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 539 | 117 | Elandsrand | 538 | +30 | ... | 2.3 | 12.6 |
| 838 | 292 | FS Cons | 755 | +33 | ... | 6.7 | 9.0 |
| 66 | 8 | FS Dev | 66 | +2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 1675 | 725 | GFSA | 1550 | +32 | ... | 2.6 | 24.4 |
| 180 | 125 | Gencor | 170 | +7 | ... | 5.8 | 13.2 |
| 64½ | 35½ | GM Kalgoorli | 54 | +½ | ... | 2.5 | 13.3 |
| 22½ | 5 | Greenwich R 'A' | 18 | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 187 | 49 | Grootvlei | 167 | +2 | ... | 6.1 | 9.9 |
| 360 | 78 | Harmony | 317 | +3 | ... | ... | ... |
| 434 | 87 | Hartles | 363 | +11 | ... | 5.4 | ... |
| 14 | 8½ | Inocoa | 11½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 1010 | 491 | Impala Plat | 963 | ... | ... | ... | 21.7 |
| 13½ | 6 | Kenmare Res | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 960 | 332 | Kinross | 935 | +19 | ... | 5.4 | 10.3 |
| 913 | 319 | Kloof | 780 | +50 | ... | 2.9 | ... |
| 135 | 25 | Leslie | 112 | +1 | ... | 3.7 | 11.3 |
| 174 | 13 | Loraine | 164 | -4 | ... | ... | ... |
| 800 | 630 | Lydenburg | 800 | ... | ... | ... | 22.9 |
| 116½ | 81½ | MIM | 91½ | ... | ... | 2.5 | 41.7 |
| 1261 | 820 | Minorco | 1157 | ... | ... | 3.2 | 13.7 |
| 136½ | 91 | Nth Brkn Hill | 124 | +½ | ... | 4.0 | 19.2 |
| 2150 | 610 | Orange Free | 1950 | +62½ | ... | 6.7 | 14.9 |
| 709 | 607 | RTZ | 674 | -3 | ... | 3.9 | 25.3 |
| 637½ | 425 | Rand Mines | 631½ | ... | ... | 9.3 | 2.9 |
| 629 | 150 | Randfontein | 576 | +6 | ... | 5.3 | ... |
| 192 | 115 | Renison | 165 | ... | ... | 2.7 | 16.0 |
| 1200 | 850 | Rustenburg | 1075 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 16.8 |
| 585 | 191 | St Helena | 517 | +22 | ... | 4.8 | 10.4 |
| 1825 | 475 | Southvaal | 1810 | +35 | ... | 3.2 | 11.3 |
| 109 | 18 | Stilfontein | 93 | ... | ... | 6.8 | 16.2 |
| 201 | 58 | Unisel | 159 | +2 | ... | 1.9 | 15.5 |
| 5287½ | 1800 | Vaal Reefs | 4925 | +350 | ... | 4.5 | 8.4 |
| 555 | 154 | Welkom | 505 | +20 | ... | 6.7 | 14.9 |
| 285 | 26 | Western Areas | 284 | +7 | ... | 2.5 | ... |
| 2437½ | 587½ | Western Deep | 2375 | +171½ | ... | 2.9 | 10.0 |
| 275 | 176 | Wstrn Mining | 254 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 930 | 323 | Winkels | 918 | +10 | ... | 1.1 | 7.5 |
| 84 | 56 | Zambia Copper | 61 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 68 | 18 | Zandpan | 63 | ... | ... | 1.1 | ... |

## MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 258 | 233 | Abbey Panels | 258 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 125 | 95 | Airflow Stream | 125 | +2 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 12.0 |
| 133 | 82 | Appleyard | 132 | ... | 5.2 | 4.9 | ... |
| 280 | 203 | Bletchley Mtr | 265 | ... | ... | 4.2 | 13.5 |
| 152 | 120 | Bostrom | 151 | ... | 6.0 | 5.0 | 26.7 |
| 429 | 165 | Br Aerospace | 404 | +8 | 7.0 | 2.2 | ... |
| 52 | 19½ | Burndene | 51 | ... | ... | 2.9 | 13.4 |
| 328 | 303 | Caffyns | 328 | ... | 11.5 | 4.4 | 66.4 |
| 10½ | 4½ | Caverdale | 9½ | -½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 143 | 98 | Central Mtr | 132 | ... | ... | 3.8 | 33.3 |
| 29 | 18 | Cook (DC) | 24 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 255 | 156 | Cowie (T) | 231 | ... | 6.2 | 3.4 | 17.6 |
| 110 | 86 | Dag Motors | 104 | ... | 5.7 | 6.9 | 18.8 |
| 142 | 102½ | Davnpt Vern | 139 | ... | ... | 3.6 | 17.6 |
| 282 | 155 | ERF | 280 | +4 | 2.0 | 0.9 | ... |
| 131 | 92 | European Mtr | 129 | +1 | 3.5 | 3.4 | ... |
| 329 | 208 | Evans Halshaw | 324 | -2 | 11.2 | 4.3 | 49.9 |
| 290 | 226 | FR Group | 263 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 12.3 |
| 3650 | 2843½ | Ford Motor | 3403¼ | -31½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 3243½ | 2143½ | General Mtr | 3175 | -25 | ... | 1.6 | ... |
| 65 | 38 | Gowrings | 63 | ... | 2.0 | 4.0 | ... |
| 193 | 85 | Heolys | 174 | -1 | 3.0 | 2.2 | ... |
| 825 | 650 | Honda Motor | 819 | +2 | ... | 0.7 | ... |
| 30 | 15 | Jacks (Wm) | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 106 | 66 | Jessups | 93 | ... | 4.5 | 6.0 | ... |
| 151 | 97 | Kwik-Fit | 137 | +1 | ... | 3.1 | 24.5 |
| 396 | 281 | Lex Service | 390 | +4 | ... | 3.4 | 21.3 |
| 156 | 85 | Lookers | 149 | ... | 6.2 | 5.3 | ... |
| 152 | 126 | Lucas | 143 | -1 | 7.0 | 6.1 | ... |
| 27 | 21 | Malaya Grp | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 224½ | 224½ | Pendragon | 253 | ... | ... | 3.3 | 20.4 |
| 193 | 106 | Perry Gp | 173 | -3 | 6.0 | 4.3 | ... |
| 166 | 108 | Quicks Group | 165 | +2 | ... | 3.4 | 21.1 |
| 153 | 99 | Rolls-Royce | 140 | +2½ | ... | 4.5 | ... |
| 198 | 164 | T & N | 194 | +1 | ... | 7.0 | 31.1 |
| 201 | 163 | Trinity Hldgs | 193 | -1 | ... | 3.6 | ... |
| 153 | 125 | Vardy (Reg) | 150 | -1 | 4.2 | 3.5 | ... |
| 235 | 121 | Westland | 233 | ... | 4.2 | 2.3 | 20.6 |

## NEWS, PUBLISHERS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 144 | 103 | Adscene | 140 | ... | 4.0 | 3.6 | 14.9 |
| 340 | 315 | Black (A&C) | 335 | ... | 13.5 | 5.0 | ... |
| 608 | 425 | Blenheim Gp | 450 | -1 | ... | 2.5 | 16.8 |
| 370 | 275 | Bristol | 338 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 30.5 |
| £102 | 7775 | Daily Mail | 9800 | -25 | 130 | 1.7 | 21.4 |
| £101½ | 7700 | Daily Mail 'A' | 9500 | -25 | 130 | 1.7 | 21.4 |
| 305 | 251 | Dorling Kind | 287 | ... | ... | 1.3 | 27.4 |
| 373 | 328 | EMAP | 331 | -7 | ... | 3.0 | 20.4 |
| 1113 | 873 | Euromoney Pb | 1053 | ... | 29.5 | 3.5 | 23.7 |
| 237 | 170 | Harrington K | 212 | ... | 4.5 | 2.7 | 17.5 |
| 385 | 233 | Haynes Pub | 380 | ... | 6.0 | 2.0 | 16.3 |
| 355 | 345 | Hodder H'line | 345 | -4 | 5.0 | 1.6 | 29.3 |
| 140 | 99 | Home Counts | 99 | -5 | 6.0 | 7.6 | ... |
| 132½ | 70 | Intl Bus Comm | 116 | +1 | ... | ... | 16.8 |
| 9 | 6½ | Inv Cm & Data | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 365 | 240 | Independent | 363 | -2 | ... | 3.5 | 16.3 |
| 551 | 395 | Johnston Press | 551 | ... | 6.2 | 1.4 | 23.8 |
| 288 | 243 | Metal Bulletin | 284 | ... | 8.0 | 3.5 | 20.1 |
| 167 | 88 | Mirror Gp | 148 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 373 | 297 | News Corp | 367 | +8 | ... | 0.3 | 24.7 |
| 240 | 169 | News Intl | 214 | ... | ... | 0.6 | 14.8 |
| 483 | 354 | Pearson | 436 | +1 | ... | 3.4 | 26.6 |
| 675 | 510 | Portsmth Sund | 631 | ... | ... | 1.9 | 17.4 |
| 686 | 418 | Reed Int | 643 | +1 | ... | 3.3 | 28.0 |
| 148 | 98 | Southnews | 145 | ... | ... | 1.8 | 26.8 |
| 162 | 90 | Sterling Pub | 158 | ... | ... | 2.4 | 17.1 |
| 401 | 328 | Telegraph | 379 | +2 | ... | 3.6 | 15.9 |
| 825 | 715 | Thomson Corp | 785 | ... | 25.4 | 4.1 | ... |
| 398 | 313 | Trinity Intl | 377 | ... | 8.7 | 2.9 | 22.6 |
| 50 | 34 | Unit Group | 36 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 593½ | 480½ | Utd Nwspprs | 529 | -7 | ... | 5.1 | 15.6 |

## OILS, GAS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 39½ | 17 | Asm Energy | 25½ | +½ | ... | ... | 24.6 |
| 61 | 39 | Arcon Intl | 42 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 69 | 41½ | Aus Oil & Gas | 63 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 83 | 26 | Aviva Pet | 71 | +8 | ... | ... | ... |
| 16 | 9 | Beverley | 12 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 183 | 145 | Br Borneo | 172 | +6 | 7.1 | 5.2 | 5.2 |
| 330 | 226 | British Gas | 293 | +1½ | 14.2 | 6.1 | 14.2 |
| 326 | 225 | Br Petroleum | 294 | +4 | 10.5 | 4.5 | 40.3 |
| 1½ | 1 | Bula Resources | 1½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 757 | 675 | Burmah Castrl | 705 | -4 | ... | 4.5 | 16.5 |
| 65 | 32 | Cairn Energy | 59½ | -1½ | ... | ... | 8.5 |
| 268 | 223 | Calor Gp | 247 | +2 | ... | 6.1 | 20.6 |
| 60½ | 32½ | Clyde Pet | 45½ | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 35 | 27 | Copiex Res | 29 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 23½ | 10½ | Edin Oil & Gs | 20 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 521 | 397 | Enterprise | 442 | +4 | 16.0 | 4.5 | 54.6 |
| 88 | 42 | Etp Co Louis | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 34½ | 18½ | Fairhaven Intl | 23 | +½ | ... | 3.4 | 8.8 |
| 67 | 45 | Gaoli Pt | 55½ | ... | 1.4 | 3.2 | 10.6 |
| 44 | 18 | Gt Western Res | 37 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 163½ | 104½ | Hardy O & G | 146 | +2 | ... | 0.9 | 13.6 |
| 40 | 18½ | Kelt Energy | 43 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 195 | 133 | LASMO | 139 | ... | 3.3 | 3.0 | 28.2 |
| 100 | 63 | -do- Units | 79 | ... | 9.4 | 15.0 | ... |
| 24 | 13 | Mid Scot Res | 16 | ... | ... | ... | ... |

## PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 47 | 34 | Monument | 39½ | ... | ... | ... | 64.0 |
| 9½ | 4 | New London | 5½ | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 33 | 21 | Nth Sea Assets | 28 | ... | 1.0 | 4.5 | 9.7 |
| 35 | 27 | Oil Search | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 15 | 11½ | Petroz | 14 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 126 | 99 | Plet Pet | 124 | ... | ... | ... | 17.2 |
| 29½ | 18 | Premier | 22½ | +½ | ... | ... | 8.2 |
| 115 | 50 | Presidio | 115 | ... | ... | 5.0 | ... |
| 393 | 290 | Ranger | 318 | +3 | ... | 5.0 | ... |
| 6350 | 5150 | Royal Dtch Fl | 6125 | +34½ | ... | 5.3 | 14.3 |
| 4500 | 3600 | Schlumberger | 4300 | +50 | ... | 1.8 | ... |
| 67 | 47 | Seafield | 55 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 637½ | 515 | Shell | 615 | +8 | 21.9 | 4.5 | 18.9 |
| 203 | 179 | Sunrise Eng Sv | 179 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 10½ | 6½ | Teredo | 6 | ... | ... | ... | 3.9 |
| 41 | 21 | Triton Europe | 26 | ... | ... | ... | 5.9 |
| 17½ | 6½ | Villiers Grp | 17½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 172 | 141 | Woodside | 159½ | -½ | ... | 2.3 | ... |
| 331 | 249 | API | 297 | -3 | 7.5 | 3.2 | 25.9 |
| 195 | 144 | Arjo Wiggins | 174 | +6 | ... | 4.7 | 17.1 |
| 515 | 408 | Abbott Mead | 513 | ... | 0.3 | 2.3 | 26.6 |
| 1½ | ¾ | Acsil Group | 1½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 40 | 13 | Aegis Gp | 28 | ... | ... | 6.1 | ... |
| 212 | 155 | Aspen Comms | 190 | ... | ... | 3.2 | 17.3 |
| 13 | 7 | BBB Design | 13 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 375 | 234½ | Bemrose | 374 | ... | ... | 3.9 | 15.3 |
| 33 | 12 | Birkdale | 15 | ... | 0.2 | 1.7 | 12.7 |
| 138 | 118 | Bunzl | 125 | -1 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 18.9 |
| 287 | 257 | CIA Gp | 287 | ... | ... | 1.9 | 18.1 |
| 222 | 93 | Capital Inds | 209 | -3 | ... | 1.9 | 20.0 |
| 65 | 44 | City of Lon | 65 | ... | ... | 7.4 | ... |
| 236 | 169 | Cropper (James) | 232 | ... | 3.1 | 1.7 | 22.4 |
| 8 | 6 | Crown Comm | 6 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 92 | 51 | Delyn Pckging | 88 | +1 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 11.8 |
| 117 | 94 | Dolphin Pack | 107 | ... | 4.5 | 5.3 | 20.4 |
| 56 | 42 | Dudley Jenkins | 54 | ... | ... | ... | 13.9 |
| 15½ | 12½ | Elswick | 13 | ... | ... | 2.9 | 19.9 |
| 73 | 41 | Fairway Group | 64 | ... | ... | 6.2 | 18.9 |
| 323 | 271 | Ferguson Intl | 312 | ... | ... | 5.0 | 14.1 |
| 108 | 92 | Ferry Pick | 105 | ... | ... | 6.7 | 28.3 |
| 124 | 74 | Photax | 118 | +1 | ... | 1.3 | 15.1 |
| 20 | 14 | Fitch | 15 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 107 | 69 | Gibbon Lyons | 107 | ... | ... | 5.8 | ... |
| 295 | 247 | Gold Greenlees | 287 | -1 | 8.3 | 3.7 | ... |
| 41 | 20 | Goodhead | 24 | ... | 0.5 | 2.6 | ... |
| 48 | 35 | Hunterprint | 35 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 185 | 136 | Interurope | 165 | ... | 7.4 | 5.7 | 10.8 |
| 264 | 191 | Jarvis Porter | 247 | ... | ... | 2.4 | ... |
| 32 | 15½ | Lopex | 29 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 298 | 175 | More O'Ferrall | 298 | ... | 13.2 | 5.5 | 35.7 |
| 103 | 48 | NMC Group | 103 | ... | 2.0 | 2.5 | 15.7 |
| 130 | 66 | Osborne & Little | 129 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 14.2 |
| 577 | 455 | Portals | 478 | +5 | ... | 3.8 | 16.4 |
| 266 | 167 | Quarto | 255 | ... | 5.3 | 2.4 | 14.9 |
| 347 | 294 | St Ives Gp | 294 | -1 | 5.2 | 2.2 | 20.0 |
| 185½ | 142½ | Saatchi | 160 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 474 | 333 | Sappi | 430 | ... | ... | 8.5 | 8.3 |
| 20 | 11½ | Serif | 18½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 32½ | 14 | Shandwick | 32 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 368 | 294 | Smith David | 368 | +3 | 9.5 | 3.2 | 16.3 |
| 295 | 214 | Smurfit (Jeff) | 230 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 14.3 |
| 61 | 45 | Somic | 61 | ... | 1.5 | 3.1 | ... |
| 240 | 183 | Sun-Plus | 230 | ... | 8.0 | 4.3 | 20.5 |
| 25½ | 16½ | Taylor Nelson | 25½ | ... | 0.3 | 1.5 | 21.4 |
| 66 | 38 | VTR | 65 | ... | ... | 6.5 | 18.5 |
| 93 | 40 | WPP | 88 | +1 | ... | 1.4 | 3.3 |
| 156 | 62 | Wace | 145 | -1 | ... | 1.9 | ... |
| 230 | 203 | Waddington (J) | 230 | ... | ... | 4.3 | 17.2 |
| 723 | 540 | Watmough | 715 | ... | 11.5 | 2.0 | 28.1 |
| 7 | 4½ | Westport | 5½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 34 | 12 | Whitney Mck | 26 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 87 | 55 | Wood (SW) | 72 | -3 | ... | 2.3 | 15.4 |

## PROPERTY

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 77 | 41 | Allied Lon | 76 | -1 | 3.5 | 5.8 | 65.6 |
| 63 | 58 | Arcadian | 63 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 90½ | 52 | Asda | 90 | +2 | ... | 2.0 | 9.5 |
| 139 | 88 | Avonside | 132 | ... | 4.0 | 3.8 | 18.5 |
| 2637½ | 2062½ | BCE | 2250 | -25 | ... | ... | ... |
| 602 | 396 | Bilton | 574 | -2 | 18.9 | 4.1 | 20.8 |
| 74 | 23 | Bourne End | 69 | ... | 1.0 | 1.8 | ... |
| 219 | 150 | Bradford | 217 | +1 | 5.4 | 3.1 | 22.0 |
| 23 | 5 | Bredero | 11½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 354 | 166½ | Br Land | 340 | +1 | ... | 2.6 | 31.0 |
| 217 | 140½ | Brixton | 217 | +1 | ... | 4.8 | 17.2 |
| 72½ | 42 | Burford | 71 | ... | ... | 2.0 | ... |
| 157 | 99 | Cap & Regnl | 154 | -3 | ... | 0.9 | ... |
| 185 | 120 | Cardiff Prop | 185 | ... | 2.4 | 1.6 | ... |
| 380 | 19½ | Chesterfield | 380 | ... | 11.0 | 3.6 | 27.2 |
| 33 | 12 | City Site Ests | 30 | -1 | 1.4 | ... | ... |
| 23 | 12 | Clarke Nickolls | 21 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 40½ | 10 | Clayform | 36½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 50 | 34 | Conrad Rbist GS | 45 | ... | ... | 1.4 | ... |
| 1150 | 818 | Daejan | 1150 | +5 | 27.0 | 3.0 | ... |
| 3½ | 1½ | Dares Estates | 2½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 98 | 53 | Debenham Twsn | 82 | ... | 3.0 | 4.6 | ... |
| 12 | 4 | De Morgan | 8 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 141 | 76 | Dencora | 131 | ... | 3.0 | 2.9 | ... |
| 498 | 263 | Derwent Hldgs | 453 | ... | 8.6 | 2.4 | 56.5 |
| 55 | 25 | Dwyer | 53 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 260 | 170 | Estates Agency | 260 | ... | 3.0 | ... | 23.8 |
| 27 | 7½ | Estates Gen | 19 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 188 | 132 | Evans Of Leeds | 188 | +1 | ... | 3.0 | 16.6 |
| 29½ | 11 | Five Oaks | 29½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 60 | 30 | Fletcher King | 58 | ... | 1.0 | 2.2 | ... |
| 422½ | 276½ | Frogmore | 395 | -2 | ... | 4.7 | 23.0 |
| 200 | 97 | Grainger | 190 | +1 | 3.2 | 3.5 | 42.5 |
| 199 | 116½ | Gt Portland | 195 | +1 | ... | 6.4 | 18.7 |
| 26½ | 7½ | Greycoat | 20½ | ... | 5.2 | ... | ... |
| 146 | 101 | HK Land | 135 | +1 | ... | 4.8 | 18.4 |
| 75 | 35 | Hambro Cntyw | 70 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 387½ | 257½ | Hammerson | 365 | +10 | 10.0 | 3.5 | 35.9 |
| 663 | 245 | -do- 'A' | 324 | +10 | 10.0 | 3.9 | 32.8 |
| 241 | 127 | Helical Bar | 240 | ... | ... | 4.2 | ... |
| 31 | 19 | Hemingway | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 132 | 57 | Herring Baker | 62 | -4 | 3.7 | 7.6 | 15.6 |
| 153 | 133 | Jermyn | 138 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 609 | 435 | Land Sec | 608 | +2 | 22.8 | 4.7 | 18.3 |
| 99 | 73 | Lon Merch Sec | 95 | +1 | 3.8 | 5.0 | 15.1 |
| 4½ | 1½ | Lon & Metro | 3½ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 457 | 315½ | MEPC | 454 | +3 | ... | 5.5 | 19.5 |
| 9 | 5 | McInerney A | 9 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 130 | 90 | McKay Secs | 120 | ... | 6.7 | ... | 19.7 |
| 7½ | 3 | Markheath | 6 | +½ | 0.5 | ... | ... |
| 49 | 12 | Merivale Mre | 38 | ... | 1.0 | ... | ... |
| 5 | 5 | Merlin Intl | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 40 | 29 | Moorfield Eq | 38 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 1200 | 775 | Mountview | 1100 | ... | 20.0 | 2.3 | 10.9 |
| 146 | 112 | Mucklow (A&J) | 145 | ... | 5.9 | 5.1 | 20.4 |
| 46 | 30 | Olives Prop | 37 | ... | 1.5 | 5.1 | ... |
| 10½ | 2½ | Osprey Est | 5 | +½ | 0.1 | ... | 1.5 |
| 135 | 88 | PSIT | 134 | ... | 4.1 | 3.9 | ... |
| 250 | 138 | Peel | 249 | ... | 4.0 | 2.0 | ... |
| 16 | 7 | Power Corp | 7 | ... | ... | ... | 0.7 |
| 41 | 22 | Property Trust | 34 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 3 | 1½ | Raglan | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 29 | 11 | Regalian | 20 | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 135 | 110 | Rowlinson Secs | 130 | ... | 1.5 | 1.5 | 34.5 |
| 37 | 16 | St Modwen Prp | 32½ | ... | 0.6 | 2.3 | 24.8 |
| 70 | 39 | Savills | 56 | ... | 1.0 | 2.3 | ... |
| 82 | 34 | Scot Met | 77 | ... | 1.5 | ... | ... |
| 98 | 39 | Shaftesbury | 96 | -2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 15½ | 5 | Shield | 11 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 235 | 139½ | Slough Estates | 222 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 15.9 |
| 82 | 56 | Southend Prop | 68 | ... | 4.2 | 8.1 | ... |
| 28 | 16 | Stanhope Prps | 21 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 177 | 114 | Tops Ests | 173 | ... | 2.1 | 1.5 | 61.1 |
| 116 | 79 | Town Centre | 112 | +1 | 3.1 | 3.5 | 20.9 |
| 75 | 43 | Trafford Park | 75 | +1 | 2.5 | 4.3 | 20.2 |
| 66 | 3 | UK Land | 12 | +2 | ... | ... | ... |
| 9½ | 4 | Union Square | 5 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 243 | 180 | Warner | 237 | +11 | 10.5 | 5.5 | 21.7 |
| 202 | 168 | Warnford | 190 | ... | 7.5 | 5.1 | 13.6 |
| 8 | 2½ | Waterglade | 3 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 78 | 35 | Watts | 75 | -2 | 0.7 | 1.3 | ... |
| 76 | 40 | Wood John De | 67 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |

## SHOES, LEATHER

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 18 | 11 | Automagic | 16 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 157 | 86 | Headlam | 154 | ... | ... | 2.2 | 34.0 |
| 500 | 330 | Lambert | 335 | ... | 13.0 | 4.9 | 8.2 |
| 100 | 54 | Pittards | 54 | -1 | 2.0 | 4.6 | 15.4 |
| 30 | 20 | Strong & Fisher | 22 | ... | 1.0 | 4.6 | 7.5 |
| 187 | 89 | Stylo | 185 | -1 | ... | 2.1 | 69.6 |
| 55 | 53 | UK Safety | 53 | ... | ... | 23.8 | 1.7 |

## TEXTILES

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 508 | 408 | Allied Text | 505 | ... | 12.6 | 3.1 | 16.2 |
| 69 | 54 | Beckman (A) | 63 | ... | 4.7 | ... | 12.5 |
| 33 | 21 | Bolton Gp | 29 | ... | ... | ... | 14.8 |
| 170 | 141 | Br Mohair | 170 | ... | 8.5 | 6.2 | 15.9 |
| 53 | 15 | Chartwell | 40 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 345 | 298 | Claremont Gs | 332 | -1 | 7.2 | 2.7 | 20.7 |
| 601 | 522 | Courtauld Text | 537 | +3 | 13.6 | 3.2 | 14.7 |
| 53½ | 24½ | Cupid | 30 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 249½ | 205 | Dawson | 210 | ... | ... | 5.4 | 16.0 |
| 33 | 22 | Drummond | 32 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 37½ | 27 | Dunkeld | 28 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 74 | 65 | Faupel | 74 | +2 | ... | 8.3 | ... |
| 34 | 15 | Foster (John) | 19 | +1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 133 | 82 | Gaskell | 116 | ... | 4.2 | 4.6 | ... |
| 198 | 156 | Hicking Pntcst | 195 | -3 | ... | 2.6 | 15.1 |
| 59 | 45 | Jerome (S) | 54 | -1 | ... | ... | ... |
| 365 | 249 | Lamont | 335 | -5 | 12.0 | 4.5 | 22.2 |
| 506 | 353½ | Lectra | 477 | ... | ... | 1.9 | 23.0 |
| 42 | 15 | Lister | 36 | ... | 0.1 | 0.3 | ... |
| 122 | 78 | Lyles (S) | 87 | ... | 4.9 | 7.0 | 9.9 |
| 180 | 89 | Magellan | 154 | ... | 1.4 | 1.1 | ... |
| 158 | 69 | Parkland 'A' | 141 | -9 | 2.0 | 1.8 | ... |
| 102½ | 82 | Readicut | 91½ | ... | ... | 4.7 | 17.2 |
| 53 | 35 | SEET | 39 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 101 | 72 | Sirdar | 99 | ... | 5.1 | 6.5 | 17.4 |
| 72 | 44 | Stirling Gp | 65 | ... | 1.8 | 3.6 | 15.6 |
| 51 | 37 | Stoddard | 44 | +2 | ... | 4.3 | 40.9 |
| 312 | 250 | Tomkinsons | 300 | ... | 11.5 | 4.8 | 25.9 |
| 62½ | 32½ | Wea Trust | 40 | ... | ... | 7.8 | ... |
| 208½ | 12b | Yorklyde | 189 | ... | ... | 3.4 | 12.4 |

## TOBACCOS

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 507 | 407 | BAT | 449 | -5 | ... | 5.2 | 16.8 |
| 743 | 584½ | Rothmans 'B' | 667 | -2 | 11.5 | 2.2 | 13.2 |

## TRANSPORT

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 441 | 349 | Assoc Br Ports | 415 | +1 | ... | 2.6 | ... |
| 813 | 707 | BAA | 738 | +2 | ... | 2.7 | 18.3 |
| 328½ | 249 | Br Airways | 326 | +6 | ... | 4.1 | 17.9 |
| 106 | 56 | Clarkson (H) | 83 | ... | 1.5 | 2.3 | ... |
| 23 | 23 | Davies Newman | 23 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 515 | 332 | Eurotunnel Uts | 405 | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| 52 | 44 | Fisher (James) | 49 | ... | 1.0 | 2.6 | 13.2 |
| 160 | 126 | Graig | 155 | ... | ... | 0.8 | ... |
| 200 | 147 | IoM Steam | 198 | ... | ... | 5.1 | 10.4 |
| 34 | 24 | Jacobs (JI) | 28 | ... | 0.5 | 2.2 | ... |
| 84 | 41 | Lon O'Seas Frs | 70 | ... | ... | 1.6 | 15.4 |
| 2700 | 1262½ | Manchstr Sh | 2650 | ... | 4.5 | 0.2 | 14.5 |
| 359 | 280 | Mersey Docks | 359 | ... | 7.5 | 2.6 | 23.0 |
| 234 | 181 | Nall Express | 234 | +1 | ... | 3.8 | 16.8 |
| 284 | 231 | NFC | 232 | -2 | 6.5 | 3.6 | 17.5 |
| 302 | 244 | Ocean Group | 294 | +7 | ... | 6.1 | 24.4 |
| 65 | 40 | Ocean Wilson | 59 | ... | 4.0 | 8.5 | 10.7 |
| 648 | 504 | P & O Dfd | 632 | +7 | ... | 6.0 | 34.3 |
| 152 | 127 | P & O 5 1/2% | 151 | ... | ... | 4.6 | ... |
| 558 | 448 | Powell Duffryn | 537 | -2 | ... | 5.3 | 20.8 |
| 141 | 117 | Seacon | 141 | ... | ... | 4.5 | 8.9 |
| 139 | 112 | Stagecoach | 136 | -1 | ... | 3.5 | 17.4 |
| 43 | 24 | TIP Europe | 42 | ... | 1.4 | 4.2 | 10.2 |
| 60 | 31½ | TNT | 56 | +½ | ... | ... | ... |
| 766 | 634 | Tibbet & Britn | 695 | -2 | 11.8 | 2.1 | 26.7 |
| 382 | 173 | Tiphook | 290 | +6 | 19.3 | 10.2 | ... |
| 298 | 222 | TDG | 248 | -1 | 9.5 | 4.8 | ... |

## WATER

| 1993 High | Low | Company | Price (p) | +/- | Net div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 553 | 455 | Anglian Water | 473 | -2 | ... | 5.6 | 5.6 |
| 652 | 547 | Northumbrian | 563 | -2 | ... | 5.0 | 6.0 |
| 535 | 431½ | North West | 465 | +1 | ... | 5.8 | 8.3 |
| 539 | 439 | Severn Trent | 468 | -2 | ... | 5.6 | 6.9 |
| 554 | 454 | Sthrn Water | 468 | -3 | ... | 5.5 | 7.6 |
| 1460 | 1225 | Sth Staffs | 1455 | ... | 47.0 | 4.0 | 10.4 |
| 569 | 465 | South West | 503 | ... | ... | 5.9 | 8.3 |
| 563 | 454 | Thames Water | 473 | -4 | ... | 5.5 | 9.3 |
| 612 | 506 | Welsh Water | 539 | -2 | ... | 5.4 | 5.4 |
| 649 | 536 | Wessex Water | 570 | +1 | ... | 4.7 | 8.9 |
| 593 | 473½ | Yorkshire W | 484 | -4 | ... | 5.5 | 8.2 |

## BRITISH FUNDS

### SHORTS (under 5 years)

| 1993 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Grs red yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 100½ | 99⅞ | Fund 6% 1993 | 100 | ... | 6.00 | 5.70 |
| 106⅛ | 101½ | Treas 13¼% 1993 | 102⅜ | -⅛ | 13.41 | 5.69 |
| 103⅝ | 101⅞ | Treas 8⅓% 1994 | 101⅞ | ... | 8.38 | 5.60 |
| 109⅝ | 105⅜ | Treas 14½% 1994 | 105⅜ | -⅛ | 13.78 | 5.62 |
| 109⅞ | 105⅛ | Exch 13½% 1994 | 105¼ | -⅛ | 12.77 | 5.61 |
| 105⅞ | 103⅞ | Treas 10% 1994 | 103⅞ | ... | 9.64 | 5.66 |
| 110⅞ | 107⅞ | Exch 12½% 1994 | 107⅞ | -⅛ | 11.68 | 5.64 |
| 105⅞ | 103⅞ | Treas 9% 1994 | 104 | ... | 8.65 | 5.75 |
| 111⅞ | 108½ | Treas 12% 1995 | 108⅞ | +⅛ | 11.04 | 5.80 |
| 96½ | 94 | Gas 3% 1990-95 | 96½ | +⅛ | 3.10 | 4.91 |
| 109½ | 107⅛ | Exch 10¼% 1995 | 107½ | +⅛ | 9.50 | 5.98 |
| 116½ | 113½ | Treas 12¾% 1995 | 114 | +⅛ | 11.18 | 6.13 |
| 120½ | 117⅞ | Treas 14% 1996 | 117⅞ | +⅛ | 11.92 | 6.31 |
| 125⅜ | 121⅞ | Treas 15¼% 1996 | 121⅞ | +⅛ | 12.51 | 6.47 |
| 120⅛ | 116½ | Exch 13¼% 1996 | 117½ | +⅛ | 11.31 | 6.45 |
| 111½ | 108½ | Conv 10% 1996 | 110 | +⅛ | 9.09 | 6.57 |
| 122⅛ | 118⅝ | Treas 13¼% 1997 | 119⅝ | +⅛ | 11.05 | 6.74 |
| 113⅜ | 110⅛ | Exch 10½% 1997 | 111⅛ | +⅛ | 9.30 | 6.73 |
| 108⅝ | 105⅛ | Treas 8¾% 1997 | 107⅝ | +⅛ | 8.18 | 6.76 |
| 132⅞ | 127⅝ | Exch 15% 1997 | 129 | +⅛ | 11.63 | 6.90 |
| 112⅜ | 109⅞ | Exch 9¾% 1998 | 110⅞ | +⅛ | 8.81 | 6.94 |
| 103⅞ | 99⅜ | Treas 7¼% 1998 | 101⅞ | +⅛ | 7.12 | 6.77 |
| 101 | 97⅜ | Treas 6¾% 1995-98 | 99⅞ | +⅛ | 6.75 | 6.76 |
| 129⅞ | 125⅞ | Treas 14% 1998-01 | 126½ | +⅛ | 11.05 | 7.32 |

### MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

| 1993 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Grs red yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 138⅞ | 133⅞ | Treas 15½% 1998 | 135⅞ | +⅛ | 11.44 | 7.16 |
| 122½ | 118½ | Exch 12% 1998 | 120⅞ | ... | 9.97 | 7.31 |
| 112½ | 108⅞ | Treas 9½% 1999 | 110½ | +⅛ | 8.60 | 7.15 |
| 124⅞ | 120⅞ | Exch 12¼% 1999 | 122⅞ | -⅛ | 10.03 | 7.40 |
| 117⅞ | 112⅞ | Treas 10½% 1999 | 115⅞ | -⅛ | 9.13 | 7.28 |
| 117⅞ | 112⅞ | Conv 10¼% 1999 | 114⅞ | -⅛ | 8.94 | 7.32 |
| 110⅞ | 106 | Conv 9% 2000 | 108⅞ | -⅛ | 8.26 | 7.27 |
| 131 | 125½ | Treas 13% 2000 | 128⅞ | -⅛ | 10.10 | 7.63 |
| 119⅞ | 109⅞ | Treas 10% 2001 | 115⅞ | ... | 8.78 | 7.56 |
| 114⅞ | 108⅜ | Treas 9¾% 2002 | 113⅞ | ... | 8.57 | 7.62 |
| 104½ | 97⅞ | Treas 8% 2003 | 103½ | -⅛ | 7.74 | 7.51 |
| 116⅞ | 109⅞ | Treas 10% 2003 | 116 | -⅛ | 8.62 | 7.69 |
| 122⅞ | 116½ | Treas 11½% 2001-04 | 120½ | ... | 9.51 | 7.81 |
| 79½ | 67⅞ | Fund 3½% 1999-04 | 79⅞ | -⅛ | 4.46 | 6.76 |
| 113⅞ | 105⅞ | Conv 9½% 2004 | 112⅞ | -⅛ | 8.44 | 7.79 |
| 113⅞ | 105⅞ | Conv 9½% 2005 | 112⅞ | -⅛ | 8.43 | 7.82 |
| 131⅞ | 124⅞ | Treas 12½% 2003-05 | 130⅞ | -⅛ | 9.55 | 8.04 |
| 102½ | 94⅞ | Treas 8% 2002-06 | 101½ | +⅛ | 7.89 | 7.85 |
| 125⅞ | 118⅞ | Treas 11¾% 2003-07 | 124⅞ | -⅛ | 9.43 | 7.99 |
| 105⅞ | 97⅞ | Treas 8½% 2007 | 105⅞ | -⅛ | 8.06 | 7.85 |
| 139½ | 131⅞ | Treas 13½% 2004-08 | 138⅞ | -⅛ | 9.75 | 8.06 |

### LONGS (over 15 years)

| 1993 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Grs red yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 110⅞ | 101½ | Treas 9% 2008 | 109⅞ | -⅛ | 8.20 | 7.88 |
| 101½ | 92⅞ | Treas 8% 2009 | 100⅞ | -⅛ | 7.94 | 7.91 |
| 110⅞ | 100⅞ | Conv 9% 2011 | 109⅞ | -⅛ | 8.19 | 7.96 |
| 110⅞ | 100⅞ | Treas 9% 2012 | 110⅞ | -⅛ | 8.18 | 7.96 |
| 79½ | 70½ | Treas 5½% 2008-12 | 78⅞ | -⅛ | 7.04 | 7.70 |
| 98⅞ | 89⅞ | Treas 7¾% 2012-15 | 98½ | -⅛ | 7.89 | 7.96 |
| 100⅞ | 90⅞ | Treas 8% 2013 | 100⅞ | -⅛ | 7.97 | 7.96 |
| 138⅞ | 125⅞ | Exch 12% 2013-17 | 137⅞ | -⅛ | 8.72 | 8.17 |
| 108⅞ | 97⅞ | Treas 8¾% 2017 | 108⅞ | -⅛ | 8.10 | 7.99 |

### UNDATED

| 1993 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Grs red yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 47⅞ | 38½ | War Ln 3½% | 43½ | -⅛ | 8.07 | ... |
| 31½ | 27⅞ | Treas 2½% | 30⅞ | -⅛ | 8.09 | ... |

### INDEX-LINKED

| 1993 High | Low | Stock | Price £ | +/- | Int yld % | Grs red yld |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 134⅞ | 131½ | Treas IL 2% 1994 | 134½ | -⅛ | ... | 4.01 |
| 199⅞ | 194⅞ | Treas IL 2% 1996 | 197⅞ | -⅛ | 1.84 | 2.70 |
| 109⅞ | 105⅞ | Treas IL 4⅝% 1998 | 108½ | -⅛ | 2.25 | 2.89 |
| 167⅞ | 159 | Treas IL 2% 2001 | 167⅞ | -⅛ | 2.74 | 3.11 |
| 164 | 155 | Treas IL 2½% 2003 | 163½ | -⅛ | 2.89 | 3.20 |
| 111½ | 105½ | Treas IL 4⅜% 2004 | 111⅞ | -⅛ | 2.96 | 3.26 |
| 171½ | 159½ | Treas IL 2% 2006 | 170⅞ | -⅛ | 3.03 | 3.27 |
| 155⅞ | 144 | Treas IL 2½% 2009 | 154⅞ | -⅛ | 3.19 | 3.40 |
| 161 | 148⅞ | Treas IL 2½% 2011 | 160½ | -⅛ | 3.24 | 3.43 |
| 132⅞ | 122⅞ | Treas IL 2½% 2013 | 132½ | -⅛ | 3.29 | 3.46 |
| 141⅞ | 130⅞ | Treas IL 2½% 2016 | 140⅞ | -⅛ | 3.36 | 3.52 |
| 135½ | 124⅞ | Treas IL 2½% 2020 | 135½ | -⅛ | 3.41 | 3.55 |
| 112⅞ | 103½ | Treas IL 2½% 2024 | 112½ | -⅛ | 3.42 | 3.55 |
| 113½ | 103½ | Treas IL 4⅛% 2030 | 113⅞ | -⅛ | 3.41 | 3.55 |

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| Euro Gth Acc | 103.03 | 110.20 | -1.28 | 1.07 |
| -do- Inc | 101.62 | 108.68 | -1.27 | 1.07 |
| Mngd P folio | 35.64 | 38.12 | -0.46 | 1.39 |
| Pacific Growth | 102.86 | 110.01 | -1.03 | 0.58 |
| Intl Spec Opps | 89.74 | 95.98 | -2.03 | 0.67 |
| **BROWN SHIPLEY** | | | | |
| 9/17 Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath 0444 458144 | | | | |
| Financial | 130.30 | 138.60 | -0.20 | 3.02 |
| Smaller Cos Acc | 306.80 | 328.30 | -0.80 | ... |
| Smaller Cos Inc | 178.50 | 191.00 | -0.40 | 1.13 |
| High Inc | 71.75 | 77.13 | -0.01 | 6.79 |
| Income | 129.50 | 138.50 | +0.40 | 3.97 |
| Mngd P folio Inc | 93.74 | 99.83 | -1.27 | 1.99 |
| -do- Acc | 177.20 | 188.70 | -2.30 | ... |
| North American | 104.70 | 111.50 | -3.60 | 0.20 |
| **BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7JJ. 071 247 4542 Dealing: 071 247 7474 | | | | |
| Fellowship Tst | 60.15 | 63.99 | -0.64 | 1.97 |
| -do- Acc | 67.81 | 72.14 | -0.72 | 1.97 |
| Income Fund 5 | 213.20 | 226.90 | +1.00 | 4.28 |
| -do- Acc | 496.30 | 528.00 | +2.50 | 4.28 |
| Inv Portfolio | 67.01 | 69.45 | -0.18 | 2.26 |
| -do- Acc | 75.67 | 78.42 | -0.21 | 2.26 |
| Smaller Cos | 130.50 | 138.90 | +0.90 | 1.37 |
| -do- Acc | 157.90 | 168.00 | +1.00 | 1.37 |
| High Inc P folio | 60.79 | 63.00 | -0.29 | 4.66 |
| **CIS UNIT MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| PO Box 105, Manchester M60 4AH 061 837 5060 | | | | |
| Environ | 133.70 | 142.30 | +0.10 | 1.85 |
| UK Growth | 145.80 | 154.90 | -0.10 | 2.24 |
| UK Income | 123.90 | 131.90 | -0.20 | 4.27 |
| **CANNON LINCOLN FUND MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 1 Olympic Way, Wembley, Middx HA9 0NB 081 902 8876 | | | | |
| SE Asia | 85.76 | 91.72 | -0.27 | 0.99 |
| Growth | 43.20 | 46.20 | +0.07 | 2.90 |
| Income | 53.60 | 57.33 | +0.06 | 4.19 |
| Far East | 48.45 | 51.82 | -1.64 | ... |
| North American | 86.76 | 93.29 | -1.88 | ... |
| Global | 85.47 | 91.41 | -1.58 | 1.09 |
| European | 71.38 | 76.34 | -0.32 | 1.01 |
| Japan | 114.40 | 122.40 | -3.70 | 0.01 |
| Intl Currency Bd | 59.32 | 62.87 | -1.12 | 5.10 |
| UK Cap Gwth | 78.96 | 84.45 | -0.30 | 1.99 |
| **CAPEL-CURE MYERS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| 35 Fountain Street, Manchester M2 2AF Enquiries: 061 236 5685 Dealing: 061 236 5362 | | | | |
| Capability Trusts | | | | |
| American Gen | 129.20 | 137.50 | -3.10 | 0.30 |
| -do- Acc | 137.30 | 146.10 | -3.40 | 0.30 |
| European | 66.64 | 70.61 | -0.68 | 0.83 |
| -do- Acc | 69.08 | 73.18 | -0.71 | 0.83 |
| Far East Gen | 66.42 | 70.66 | -2.10 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 66.42 | 70.66 | -2.10 | ... |
| Glenfriars | 257.90 | 274.40 | -0.10 | 0.69 |
| -do- Acc | 290.30 | 308.90 | -0.20 | 0.69 |
| Growth | 384.60 | 411.40 | +3.30 | 2.23 |
| -do- Acc | 658.50 | 704.30 | +5.70 | 2.23 |
| Income Growth | 367.50 | 391.00 | -2.60 | 3.86 |
| -do- Acc | 499.50 | 531.40 | -3.70 | 3.86 |
| Master Portfolio | 9599.0 | 9938.0 | -71.00 | 2.19 |
| -do- Acc | 11182.0 | 11600.0 | -83.00 | 2.19 |
| Special Sits | 87.67 | 93.27 | +1.34 | 2.16 |
| -do- Acc | 103.64 | 110.26 | +1.60 | 2.16 |
| Exempt Fund | | | | |
| High Yield | 1200.0 | 1238.0 | -2.00 | 4.35 |
| -do- Acc | 1417.0 | 1461.0 | -3.00 | 4.35 |
| **CAPEL (JAMES) UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 7 Devonshire Square, London EC2M 4HU 071 955 5050. Dealing: 071 955 5055 | | | | |
| American Index | 191.50 | 204.20 | -4.20 | 1.62 |
| Capital | 532.40 | 568.20 | +2.90 | 2.39 |
| Eurotrack 100 | 130.80 | 139.40 | -1.50 | 1.48 |
| Euro Gth | 82.23 | 87.74 | -0.78 | 1.28 |
| Far East Growth | 93.89 | 100.20 | -1.60 | 0.07 |
| Global Bond | 23.50 | 24.77 | -0.30 | 6.66 |
| Hong Kong | 78.89 | 84.19 | -2.53 | 0.82 |
| Income | 502.60 | 536.40 | -0.10 | 3.98 |
| Intl Growth | 74.03 | 79.01 | -1.64 | 0.99 |
| Japan Growth | 280.20 | 299.00 | -6.20 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 35.87 | 38.28 | -0.58 | ... |
| Japan Index | 82.09 | 87.61 | -1.64 | 0.22 |
| Nth American | 432.50 | 461.60 | -11.20 | 0.47 |
| S pore Mly Gth | 56.41 | 60.20 | +2.16 | ... |
| The Foreste Fd | 105.00 | 110.90 | +1.30 | 2.77 |
| Tiger Index | 144.20 | 153.90 | -0.80 | 0.61 |
| Triple Index | 106.00 | 113.10 | -0.20 | 2.54 |
| UK Index | 121.10 | 129.30 | +0.10 | 3.10 |
| **CAZENOVE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 3 Copthall Avenue, London EC2R 7BH 071 606 0708 | | | | |
| American P folio | 84.90 | 90.68 | -1.26 | 1.00 |
| European P folio | 72.44 | 77.27 | -0.49 | 1.38 |
| Japanese P folio | 66.51 | 70.67 | -1.98 | ... |
| Pacific P folio | 103.93 | 111.76 | -0.69 | 1.15 |
| Cazenove P folio | 71.42 | 76.39 | -0.11 | 3.00 |
| UK Income Gth | 64.32 | 69.04 | +0.21 | 5.00 |
| Utility & Bond | 51.14 | 51.86 | +0.36 | 7.00 |
| **CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND** | | | | |
| 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815 | | | | |
| Investment Fd | 610.20 | 615.15 | ... | 4.84 |
| Fixed Int | 156.95 | 157.70 | ... | 9.19 |
| Deposit | 5.70 | ... | ... | ... |
| **CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND** | | | | |
| 2 Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ 071 588 1815 | | | | |
| Income | 601.49 | 607.12 | ... | 4.92 |
| -do- Acc | 2368.9 | 2376.6 | ... | ... |
| Deposit | 5.70 | ... | ... | ... |
| Fxd Int Inc | 127.44 | 127.45 | ... | 9.10 |
| -do- Acc | 172.60 | 172.95 | ... | ... |
| **CITY FINANCIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| 1 White Hart Yard, London Bridge, SE1 071 407 5966 | | | | |
| City Fin Assets | 62.79 | 66.10 | -0.11 | 3.28 |
| Beckman Intl | 84.05 | 88.70 | -0.02 | 2.99 |
| Friars Hse Inc | 176.64 | 189.94 | +0.67 | 6.14 |
| Friars Hse Cap | 246.56 | 265.12 | +0.09 | 2.75 |
| **COMMERCIAL UNION TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Exchange Court, 3 Bedford Park, Croydon CR0 2AQ. Enquiries: 081 686 2222 Dealing: 081 686 9818 | | | | |
| Smaller Cos | 36.70 | 39.04 | -0.02 | 1.62 |
| -do- Acc | 41.35 | 43.99 | -0.02 | 1.62 |
| Quilter | 121.14 | 128.87 | -0.06 | 2.66 |
| -do- Acc | 134.54 | 143.13 | -0.06 | 2.66 |
| **EAGLE STAR UNIT MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Bath Road, Cheltenham GL53 7LQ 0242 577 555 | | | | |
| Oriental Op Acc | 82.33 | 87.58 | -0.61 | 0.90 |
| Japanese Acc | 64.32 | 68.43 | -2.25 | ... |
| UK Balncd Inc | 124.20 | 132.10 | -0.50 | 2.61 |
| -do- Acc | 146.50 | 155.80 | -0.70 | 2.61 |
| UK Growth Acc | 202.40 | 215.30 | -1.40 | 2.08 |
| UK High Inc | 132.20 | 140.60 | -0.40 | 6.30 |
| -do- Acc | 160.00 | 170.30 | -0.50 | 6.30 |
| N America Acc | 111.60 | 118.70 | -4.30 | 0.33 |
| European Acc | 157.00 | 167.00 | -1.80 | 0.42 |
| UK Pref F/I Inc | 60.41 | 64.08 | -0.31 | 6.87 |
| -do- Acc | 99.44 | 105.50 | -0.50 | 6.87 |
| Intl Sp Sits Acc | 48.65 | 51.76 | -1.14 | 0.22 |
| Environmntl Opp | 70.26 | 74.74 | -0.55 | 1.64 |
| **EDINBURGH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Donaldson House, 97 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh EH12 5HD. 031 313 1000 | | | | |
| American | 111.10 | 118.00 | -3.20 | 0.42 |
| UK Smllr Cos | 200.80 | 213.40 | -2.10 | 1.17 |
| Eurofund | 37.41 | 39.63 | -0.28 | 1.01 |
| Mngd Exempt | 165.80 | 172.80 | -0.20 | 3.04 |
| Growth Inc | 214.00 | 227.40 | +0.30 | 3.30 |
| High Dist | 142.10 | 151.00 | -0.10 | 4.97 |
| International | 320.30 | 340.30 | -3.20 | 0.96 |
| Intl Income | 80.52 | 85.96 | -0.48 | 3.02 |
| Pacific | 58.17 | 61.81 | -0.52 | 0.49 |
| Smllr Jap Cos | 74.51 | 79.17 | -2.47 | ... |
| Tokyo | 210.00 | 223.10 | -4.70 | ... |
| Japan Exempt | 119.30 | 122.50 | -0.20 | 0.41 |
| Stn Jap Exempt | 586.80 | 602.90 | -16.70 | 0.08 |
| Equity Income | 121.60 | 129.20 | +0.50 | 3.87 |
| Formerly Target | | | | |
| Euro Spec Sits | 139.80 | 147.90 | -1.10 | 0.56 |
| Financial | 42.19 | 44.83 | -0.25 | 2.65 |
| Global Opps Inc | 88.85 | 94.40 | -1.61 | 2.13 |
| -do- Acc | 92.09 | 97.85 | -1.66 | 2.13 |
| Gold Gen Inc | 50.77 | 53.94 | -2.38 | 0.80 |
| -do- Acc | 97.45 | 103.50 | -4.70 | 0.80 |
| Japan General | 162.80 | 173.00 | -3.00 | ... |
| Preference | 22.16 | 23.55 | +0.03 | 7.73 |
| Worldwide Cap | 197.40 | 209.60 | -1.60 | 3.05 |
| World Income | 84.55 | 89.70 | -0.32 | 3.31 |
| **ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| 41 Harrington Gardens, London SW7 4JU 071 373 7261 | | | | |
| Endurance | 174.60 | 185.70 | -2.40 | 0.91 |
| **EQUITABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| Walton St, Aylesbury, Bucks. HP21 7QW 0296 431480 | | | | |
| Pelican | 104.00 | 109.47 | -0.22 | 3.26 |
| High Income | 120.48 | 126.82 | -0.51 | 4.76 |
| Tst of Inv Tsts | 150.84 | 158.78 | -0.05 | 2.17 |
| Special Sits | 83.67 | 88.07 | -1.74 | 2.33 |
| North American | 102.58 | 107.98 | -2.32 | 0.89 |
| Far Eastern | 246.97 | 259.97 | -3.64 | 1.78 |
| Intl Growth | 97.74 | 102.88 | -1.62 | 1.27 |
| European | 63.76 | 67.12 | -0.69 | 2.12 |
| Smaller Cos | 68.22 | 71.81 | -0.12 | 2.07 |
| **FAMILY INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 16 West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE 0273 228 787 | | | | |
| United Charities | 224.90 | 239.20 | ... | 3.74 |
| **FIDELITY INVESTMENT SERVICES LTD** | | | | |
| Oakhill House, 130 Tonbridge Rd, Tonbridge TN11 9DZ. 0800 414181 | | | | |
| Cash Unit Tst | 100.00 | 100.00 | ... | 5.40 |
| European Tst | 124.80 | 132.70 | -0.70 | .. |
| High Income | 26.04 | 27.40 | -0.07 | 5.82 |

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| **FOREIGN & COLONIAL** | | | | |
| 8th Floor, Exchange Hse, Primrose St, London EC2A 2NY. 071 628 8000 | | | | |
| European | 93.28 | 98.73 | -0.93 | 0.82 |
| Far Eastern | 138.30 | 148.40 | -2.70 | ... |
| Ovrsts Income | 89.38 | 95.57 | -0.70 | 3.07 |
| UK Growth | 93.26 | 99.74 | +0.41 | 0.77 |
| UK Income | 99.95 | 106.90 | ... | 3.30 |
| US Smaller Cos | 258.90 | 273.70 | -7.20 | 0.08 |
| **FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| 155 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 3FT 071 374 4100 | | | | |
| Amer Gth | 47.49 | 50.52 | -1.76 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 47.49 | 50.52 | -1.76 | ... |
| Am Smllr Co | 431.00 | 460.90 | -12.60 | .. |
| -do- Acc | 440.30 | 470.80 | -12.90 | ... |
| Capital | 286.70 | 304.90 | -2.40 | 1.79 |
| -do- Acc | 399.30 | 424.70 | -3.30 | 1.79 |
| Cond Smllr Cos | 48.81 | 50.30 | -0.11 | 0.22 |
| -do- Acc | 48.93 | 52.59 | -0.11 | 0.22 |
| Convertible | 114.90 | 122.20 | -0.40 | 5.82 |
| -do- Acc | 218.10 | 231.90 | -0.90 | 5.82 |
| Emg Mark | 53.93 | 57.61 | -0.11 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 53.93 | 57.61 | -0.11 | ... |
| European | 95.19 | 101.50 | ... | 0.91 |
| -do- Acc | 99.23 | 105.80 | ... | 0.91 |
| Extra Income | 290.00 | 308.40 | -0.10 | 4.06 |
| -do- Acc | 415.10 | 441.50 | -0.10 | 4.06 |
| Financial | 107.50 | 115.40 | -1.30 | 0.34 |
| -do- Acc | 112.50 | 120.80 | -1.30 | 0.24 |
| Health Fund Inc | 118.10 | 126.10 | -5.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 118.10 | 126.10 | -5.30 | ... |
| Income Tst | 179.20 | 190.60 | +0.60 | 3.76 |
| -do- Acc | 254.00 | 270.10 | +0.80 | 3.76 |
| Intl Growth | 318.10 | 339.90 | -8.40 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 353.30 | 377.40 | -9.40 | ... |
| Japan Gen | 184.00 | 196.70 | -5.90 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 185.80 | 198.70 | -5.90 | ... |
| Mngd P folio Inc | 91.01 | 95.79 | -0.60 | 0.87 |
| -do- Acc | 95.67 | 100.70 | -0.60 | 0.87 |
| Monthly Income | 153.10 | 162.80 | -0.60 | 3.96 |
| Qrtly Inc | 50.09 | 53.28 | +0.07 | 5.74 |
| -do- Acc | 50.22 | 53.41 | +0.07 | 5.74 |
| Recovery | 295.60 | 316.10 | -6.50 | 0.30 |
| -do- Acc | 347.30 | 371.40 | -7.60 | 0.30 |
| UK Growth | 46.33 | 49.52 | +0.17 | 2.69 |
| -do- Acc | 46.33 | 49.52 | +0.17 | 2.69 |
| **FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Castle Street, Salisbury, Wilts. SP1 3SH Dealing: 0722 411411 Administration: 0722 411622 | | | | |
| Equity Dist | 344.84 | 366.85 | -0.12 | 2.71 |
| -do- Acc | 704.17 | 749.12 | -0.23 | 2.71 |
| Euro Gth Dist | 107.63 | 114.50 | -1.49 | 0.85 |
| -do- Acc | 110.84 | 117.92 | -1.53 | 0.85 |
| Fixed Int Dist | 133.54 | 141.25 | -0.04 | 6.25 |
| -do- Acc | 225.83 | 238.87 | -0.07 | 6.25 |
| Intl Gth Dist | 77.36 | 82.30 | -1.66 | 0.72 |
| -do- Acc | 80.31 | 85.44 | -1.72 | 0.72 |
| Nth Amer Dist | 167.29 | 177.21 | -4.62 | 0.89 |
| -do- Acc | 182.15 | 192.96 | -5.03 | 0.89 |
| Pac Basin Dist | 248.10 | 263.94 | -6.01 | 0.10 |
| -do- Acc | 252.67 | 268.80 | -6.12 | 0.10 |
| Stewardship Dist | 298.45 | 317.50 | -2.16 | 1.83 |
| -do- Acc | 355.87 | 378.58 | -2.58 | 1.83 |
| Stwd Inc Dist | 64.10 | 68.19 | -0.12 | 3.20 |
| -do- Acc | 79.30 | 84.36 | -0.15 | 3.20 |
| N Am Stwd Dist | 97.28 | 103.49 | -2.62 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 102.91 | 109.48 | -2.77 | .. |
| **GT UNIT MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Alban Gate, 14th Flr, 125 London Wall, London EC2Y 5AS. 071 710 4567 Dealing: 071 626 9431 | | | | |
| Am Sp Sits | 140.00 | 149.80 | -2.30 | .. |
| European | 414.70 | 441.20 | +1.70 | 0.96 |
| Far East General | 229.20 | 244.70 | -2.90 | 0.30 |
| Germany | 101.40 | 107.50 | +0.60 | 0.43 |
| Global Assets In | 69.41 | 74.17 | -0.53 | 2.17 |
| Global Assets Ac | 73.39 | 78.43 | -0.56 | 2.12 |
| Income Inc | 125.30 | 134.00 | -0.20 | 6.57 |
| International | 280.30 | 299.90 | -4.30 | 0.93 |
| Intl Income | 77.56 | 82.54 | -0.62 | 4.83 |
| Japan General | 381.10 | 405.40 | -7.70 | ... |
| Smllr Cos Div | 45.53 | 48.70 | -0.09 | 6.08 |
| UK Capital Inc | 166.70 | 178.30 | -1.40 | 4.04 |
| -do- Acc | 285.20 | 305.10 | -2.20 | 3.68 |
| UK Spec Sits | 77.94 | 83.36 | -0.35 | 1.52 |
| US General | 119.20 | 126.90 | -3.10 | 0.11 |
| W wide Spec Sits | 118.00 | 126.10 | -2.80 | 0.11 |
| **GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Gartmore House, 16/18 Monument Street, London EC3R 8AJ. 071 623 1212 Dealing: 0277 264421. Services: 0800 289 336 | | | | |
| UK Growth Funds | | | | |
| British Growth | 44.60 | 47.70 | +0.09 | 1.53 |
| Cash Trust* | 129.53 | 129.53 | -0.11 | 5.35 |
| Pract Inv Inc | 104.58 | 112.15 | -0.11 | 4.09 |
| -do- Acc | 224.51 | 240.76 | -0.23 | 4.09 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 104.83 | 112.42 | -1.59 | 0.82 |
| Income Funds | | | | |
| Preference Share | 26.17 | 27.99 | -0.47 | 8.29 |
| High Inc | 32.10 | 34.33 | +0.09 | 4.76 |
| UK Equity Inc | 128.94 | 137.90 | +0.67 | 3.94 |
| Global Bond | 28.86 | 30.93 | -0.36 | 5.79 |
| International Funds | | | | |
| Gold Intl | 92.08 | 98.75 | -3.30 | 0.39 |
| Frontier Markets | 43.73 | 46.90 | -0.42 | 0.45 |
| Global Inc Gth | 119.34 | 127.33 | -1.33 | 1.93 |
| UK Intl | 116.94 | 125.07 | -0.10 | 0.18 |
| Overseas Funds | | | | |
| American | 127.72 | 136.49 | -2.90 | 0.45 |
| European | 81.87 | 86.83 | -0.74 | 0.62 |
| Euro Sel Opps | 97.15 | 103.63 | -1.54 | 0.70 |
| **GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| Shackleton House, 4 Battle Bridge Lane, London SE1 2HR. 071 378 7979 Dealing: 071 588 0526 | | | | |
| Intl Growth | 127.13 | 135.96 | -3.10 | 0.37 |
| American Gth | 129.28 | 138.26 | -4.13 | ... |
| European Gth | 67.00 | 71.25 | -0.45 | 0.42 |
| Japan Gth | 81.39 | 87.05 | -1.82 | ... |
| Greater China | 140.96 | 150.76 | -3.51 | 2.85 |
| Pacific Strategy | 125.83 | 134.58 | -1.06 | 0.25 |
| UK Prog Inc | 73.29 | 77.28 | +0.58 | 4.80 |
| British Growth | 47.84 | 50.50 | +0.18 | 3.04 |
| UK Small Cos | 43.74 | 46.78 | -0.66 | 2.42 |
| **GRE UNIT MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 36 Harbour Exchange Sq, London E14 9GE 071 538 9668 | | | | |
| Cash | 131.80 | 131.80 | +0.10 | 4.73 |
| Gilt Fixed | 124.90 | 132.60 | ... | 5.84 |
| Growth Equity | 286.70 | 306.30 | +0.50 | 2.06 |
| Guardhill | 426.10 | 455.20 | -0.40 | 2.16 |
| Income Trust | 109.10 | 116.50 | -0.60 | 2.82 |
| International | 157.50 | 168.20 | -3.30 | 0.17 |
| Japan Trust | 127.60 | 136.30 | -3.80 | ... |
| Nth American | 254.60 | 272.00 | -6.30 | 0.41 |
| Pacific | 375.80 | 401.40 | -1.20 | ... |
| European | 341.10 | 364.40 | -5.00 | 0.64 |
| **HALIFAX STANDARD TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| PO Box 600, Edinburgh EH15 1EW 0800 838868 | | | | |
| Global Adv Inc | 34.98 | 37.08 | -0.33 | 1.63 |
| -do- Acc | 36.61 | 38.81 | -0.35 | 1.63 |
| Inc Adv Inc | 29.31 | 31.07 | -0.06 | 3.91 |
| -do- Acc | 30.75 | 32.60 | -0.06 | 3.91 |
| **HAMBROS UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Brentwood, Essex Enquiries: 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690390 | | | | |
| Canadian | 79.00 | 84.63 | -2.67 | 1.34 |
| Equity Income | 112.10 | 119.30 | -0.10 | 3.46 |
| European | 132.20 | 139.90 | -2.00 | 1.28 |
| Intl Situation | 75.33 | 80.14 | -1.13 | .. |
| Japanese | 144.40 | 153.20 | -4.00 | .. |
| North American | 95.34 | 101.20 | -3.80 | 0.05 |
| Scandinavian | 114.90 | 121.50 | -1.80 | .. |
| Smaller Cos | 29.92 | 31.83 | -0.26 | 1.95 |

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| **HENDERSON** | | | | |
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| Amer Smaller | 87.93 | 93.99 | -4.00 | ... |
| Asian Enterprise | 125.79 | 134.51 | -2.08 | 1.06 |
| Australian | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| European | 373.04 | 395.25 | -2.53 | 0.77 |
| European Inc | 71.35 | 75.45 | -0.92 | 2.59 |
| Euro Sml Co | 119.38 | 127.20 | +1.03 | 0.73 |
| Extra Income | 260.95 | 277.80 | -0.34 | 4.73 |
| Family of Funds | 70.57 | 75.38 | -0.45 | 1.08 |
| Global Bond | 56.27 | 60.18 | -0.29 | 7.25 |
| Global Resour | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| High Inc | 288.72 | 308.64 | +0.99 | 4.42 |
| Income Gth | 235.38 | 250.65 | +0.34 | 3.45 |
| -do- Acc | 608.80 | 648.37 | +0.89 | 3.45 |
| International | 227.20 | 242.40 | -5.10 | 0.75 |
| Japan Spc Sit | 245.48 | 261.35 | -8.66 | ... |
| Japan | 213.31 | 226.79 | -7.09 | ... |
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| Pacific Smllr Cos | 195.42 | 207.89 | -0.58 | 0.35 |
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| Smaller Cos Div | 171.21 | 183.10 | +0.33 | 3.26 |
| Special Sits | 259.47 | 277.63 | -0.93 | 1.99 |
| -do- Acc | 399.82 | 427.80 | -1.43 | 1.99 |
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| -do- Acc | 48.58 | 51.80 | -0.91 | 0.97 |
| Far East Opps | 31.80 | 34.02 | -0.58 | 0.63 |
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| General Growth | 96.71 | 103.56 | +0.63 | 2.51 |
| Global Tech | 124.33 | 133.03 | -2.28 | ... |
| Income Growth | 101.32 | 108.36 | +1.19 | 3.74 |
| Income Monthly | 57.03 | 60.99 | +0.07 | 5.54 |
| Japan Growth | 83.71 | 89.01 | -0.91 | ... |
| Overseas Gth | 76.72 | 81.76 | -1.72 | 1.03 |
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| Dollar | 305.00 | 326.20 | -8.30 | 0.01 |
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| Intl | 213.90 | 228.30 | -3.60 | 0.35 |
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| Nat Resources | 62.11 | 66.42 | -1.08 | 0.48 |
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| Smaller Cos | 25.13 | 26.86 | -0.13 | 1.54 |
| Special Features | 27.18 | 28.87 | -0.04 | 1.62 |
| -do- Acc | 32.09 | 34.09 | -0.04 | 1.62 |
| General Funds | | | | |
| UK Growth | 52.43 | 56.07 | +0.47 | 1.91 |
| Assets Earnings | 69.09 | 73.40 | +0.53 | 1.93 |
| do Acc | 82.23 | 87.36 | +0.62 | 1.93 |
| Managed Invest | 87.96 | 93.92 | -0.81 | 1.17 |
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| High Income Funds | | | | |
| Cashbox | 50.86 | 50.86 | +0.02 | 4.40 |
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| Preference | 17.76 | 18.86 | +0.06 | 6.35 |
| UK Income | 308.20 | 329.60 | +1.00 | 2.91 |
| Sector Specialist Funds | | | | |
| Fincl Sec | 57.81 | 61.42 | -1.21 | 1.23 |
| Property Shares | 64.74 | 69.85 | +0.32 | 1.69 |
| Exempt Funds | | | | |
| Exempt | 145.40 | 152.80 | ... | 3.66 |
| European Acc | 113.80 | 120.60 | -1.30 | 1.74 |
| European Dist | 108.30 | 114.80 | -1.30 | 1.74 |
| Overseas Growth Funds | | | | |
| American Gth | 48.62 | 51.73 | -1.03 | 0.80 |
| European Perf | 115.90 | 122.90 | -0.70 | 0.98 |
| -do- Acc | 118.00 | 125.20 | -0.70 | 0.98 |
| Euro Small Cos | 21.48 | 22.86 | +0.05 | 0.73 |
| French Growth | 66.26 | 70.52 | +0.15 | 0.52 |
| -do- Acc | 70.78 | 75.33 | +0.16 | 0.52 |
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| Intl Growth | 53.09 | 55.34 | -0.97 | 0.63 |
| -do- Acc | 52.09 | 55.34 | -0.97 | 0.63 |
| Japan Perf | 34.79 | 36.94 | -1.13 | ... |
| Accum Units | 34.79 | 36.94 | -1.13 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 39.16 | 41.64 | -1.08 | ... |
| Singapore Asean | 83.68 | 88.90 | -2.22 | 0.28 |
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| Far East | 27.81 | 29.59 | -0.78 | 0.86 |
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| Intl Growth | 51.61 | 54.90 | -1.13 | 0.67 |
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| Maximum Dist | 99.12 | 101.10 | -1.10 | 6.91 |
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| Equity Income | 91.01 | 96.82 | -0.29 | 4.80 |
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| Far Eastern | 185.30 | 197.10 | -3.90 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 53.07 | 56.46 | +0.17 | 6.18 |
| Gilt | 92.47 | 98.06 | -0.28 | 6.22 |
| Global Growth | 67.08 | 71.36 | -1.35 | 0.45 |
| Intl Bond | 56.95 | 60.62 | -0.69 | 4.68 |
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| -do- Acc | 53.51 | 56.33 | -0.38 | 1.32 |
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| Income | 446.70 | 475.30 | ... | 3.68 |
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| -do- Acc | 494.10 | 525.70 | -0.60 | 4.37 |
| Japan Growth | 100.80 | 107.10 | -2.80 | 0.01 |
| -do- Acc | 101.00 | 107.50 | -2.90 | 0.01 |
| Master Trust | 51.14 | 54.41 | -0.40 | 1.34 |
| -do- Acc | 56.30 | 59.90 | -0.44 | 1.34 |
| N American Gen | 181.80 | 193.50 | -6.50 | 0.01 |
| -do- Acc | 210.00 | 223.50 | -7.60 | 0.01 |
| NAm Sm Co Rec | 138.70 | 147.60 | -3.90 | 0.01 |
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| Pacific Basin | 200.40 | 213.20 | -1.80 | 0.65 |
| -do- Acc | 211.80 | 225.40 | -1.90 | 0.65 |
| Small Cos Rec | 302.60 | 318.60 | -10.50 | 2.41 |
| -do- Acc | 394.00 | 414.80 | -13.80 | 2.41 |
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| Capital | 663.10 | 701.20 | -9.20 | 2.50 |
| -do- Acc | 731.20 | 773.70 | -10.20 | 2.50 |
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| Compnd Gth | 820.20 | 867.30 | -2.40 | 2.88 |
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| -do- Acc | 139.40 | 147.50 | -0.30 | 4.24 |
| Equity Inc | 303.40 | 320.80 | +0.20 | 4.71 |
| European Div | 58.10 | 61.40 | -2.40 | 4.13 |
| -do- Acc | 67.30 | 71.10 | -0.90 | 4.13 |
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| -do- Acc | 477.20 | 504.60 | -9.80 | 1.11 |

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| -do- Acc | 393.40 | 416.00 | -7.30 | 0.58 |
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| -do- Acc | 931.30 | 985.00 | -4.90 | 2.14 |
| General | 53.30 | 56.40 | -0.10 | 3.66 |
| -do- Acc | 142.40 | 150.80 | -0.30 | 3.66 |
| Gilt Fxd Int | 63.38 | 63.46 | -0.11 | 7.59 |
| do Acc | 159.37 | 159.54 | -0.20 | 7.59 |
| Gold | 58.50 | 61.90 | -4.40 | 0.71 |
| -do- Acc | 68.80 | 72.80 | -5.20 | 0.71 |
| High Inc | 25.10 | 26.50 | -0.10 | 4.45 |
| -do- Acc | 94.90 | 100.30 | -0.40 | 4.45 |
| Intl Growth | 67.20 | 71.10 | -2.20 | 0.83 |
| -do- Acc | 116.30 | 123.10 | -3.30 | 0.83 |
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| -do- Acc | 151.80 | 162.40 | -0.80 | 2.08 |
| UK Income | 112.20 | 120.00 | +0.30 | 2.59 |
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| Income Growth | 71.00 | 75.37 | -0.41 | 3.44 |
| European | 67.29 | 71.43 | -0.92 | 1.21 |
| Nth American | 55.68 | 59.11 | -2.21 | 1.03 |
| UK Growth | 74.94 | 79.55 | -0.27 | 1.62 |
| Intl Growth | 94.67 | 100.50 | -1.60 | 0.64 |
| Charities | 107.10 | 113.70 | -0.40 | 3.94 |
| Intl Income | 67.62 | 71.78 | -0.44 | 5.57 |
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| General | 454.80 | 485.20 | -1.00 | 2.49 |
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| Global Dist | 131.70 | 138.40 | -1.90 | 5.28 |
| -do- Acc | 147.40 | 154.90 | -2.30 | 5.28 |
| Income | 136.90 | 145.90 | -0.20 | 4.67 |
| -do- Acc | 201.90 | 215.20 | -0.20 | 4.67 |
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| -do- Acc | 514.40 | 548.30 | -9.00 | 0.68 |
| Japan | 189.20 | 200.70 | -5.70 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 194.30 | 206.10 | -5.70 | ... |
| New Europe | 137.90 | 147.10 | ... | 1.76 |
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| -do- Acc | 142.60 | 153.30 | -7.10 | 0.63 |
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| British Dist | 75.16 | 80.39 | +0.32 | 2.13 |
| -do- Acc | 85.09 | 91.00 | +0.36 | 2.13 |
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| -do- Acc | 213.40 | 228.20 | -1.80 | 0.25 |
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| Gilt Fixed Int | 56.59 | 58.91 | -0.18 | 6.83 |
| -do- Acc | 151.00 | 157.20 | -0.50 | 6.83 |
| High Yield | 216.60 | 231.70 | -0.30 | 4.73 |
| -do- Acc | 508.70 | 544.10 | -0.80 | 4.73 |
| Income | 275.30 | 294.40 | -0.50 | 3.38 |
| -do- Acc | 572.20 | 612.00 | -1.10 | 3.38 |
| Japan Gth | 349.00 | 373.30 | -13.90 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 368.40 | 394.00 | -14.60 | ... |
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| Deposit Inc | 100.04 | 100.04 | +0.07 | 4.92 |
| Deposit Acc | 123.09 | 123.09 | +0.09 | 4.92 |
| Euro Gth Acc | 280.30 | 299.50 | -2.10 | ... |
| Europa | 121.40 | 130.40 | ... | ... |
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| Japan Tracker | 78.88 | 83.57 | -2.81 | ... |
| UK Equity Inc | 148.00 | 159.50 | +1.20 | 4.14 |
| -do- Acc | 181.50 | 195.60 | +1.50 | 4.14 |
| UK Ind Tracker | 140.40 | 150.30 | -0.20 | 3.20 |
| US Eq Ind Trkr | 189.50 | 201.00 | -4.70 | 1.46 |
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| European | 59.92 | 61.20 | -0.18 | 1.92 |
| Olympiad | 54.95 | 58.34 | -1.13 | 0.34 |
| Global Bond | 47.77 | 48.30 | -0.39 | 6.34 |
| Smaller Cos | 67.45 | 70.58 | -0.36 | 0.91 |
| Equity Income | 89.44 | 91.95 | +0.01 | 5.24 |
| UK Growth | 81.97 | 84.57 | -0.10 | 1.79 |
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| Conscience | 60.29 | 64.34 | -1.07 | 1.35 |
| -do- Acc | 65.08 | 69.45 | -1.15 | 1.35 |
| European | 165.90 | 176.40 | -2.10 | 1.18 |
| -do- Acc | 178.50 | 189.80 | -2.20 | 1.18 |
| Extra Income | 71.77 | 76.59 | -0.06 | 5.80 |
| -do- Acc | 109.80 | 117.10 | +0.10 | 5.80 |
| Far East Gth | 164.60 | 175.90 | -1.40 | 0.07 |
| Gilt Fxd Inc | 59.62 | 62.92 | -0.27 | 6.55 |
| Gold | 49.61 | 53.34 | -3.30 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 53.43 | 57.45 | -3.55 | ... |
| Income | 51.19 | 54.60 | +0.13 | 5.10 |
| -do- Acc | 156.70 | 167.10 | +0.40 | 5.10 |
| International | 29.30 | 31.43 | -0.53 | 0.70 |
| -do- Acc | 42.09 | 45.16 | -0.76 | 0.70 |
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| N&P Gilt Fxd Int | 76.72 | 81.19 | -0.18 | 5.86 |
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| N&P UK Income | 99.76 | 106.13 | -0.14 | 3.82 |

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| **NEWTON FUND MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 2 London Bridge, London SE1 9RA 071 407 4404 | | | | |
| General | 160.91 | 171.19 | -3.49 | 2.02 |
| Global | 289.83 | 308.33 | -3.94 | 3.06 |
| Growth | 105.71 | 112.46 | -1.55 | 1.93 |
| Income | 198.46 | 211.15 | -0.56 | 5.30 |
| Intl Bond | 129.47 | 137.50 | -1.00 | 6.76 |
| **PEARL UNIT TRUST LTD** | | | | |
| PO Box 508, Peterborough PE2 6BR 0733 470470. Dealing: 0800 626577 | | | | |
| Growth | 134.90 | 143.50 | -0.30 | 2.61 |
| -do- Acc | 273.30 | 290.80 | -0.40 | 2.61 |
| Income | 217.30 | 231.30 | -0.70 | 3.57 |
| Intl Equity | 222.90 | 236.40 | -3.50 | 0.85 |
| -do- Acc | 243.30 | 258.80 | -3.80 | 0.85 |
| Equity | 210.70 | 224.10 | -0.40 | 2.50 |
| -do- Acc | 432.00 | 459.50 | -0.80 | 2.50 |
| UK Intl 25 Acc | 68.33 | 72.69 | -0.39 | 2.00 |
| UK Income | 59.23 | 63.01 | -0.11 | 3.12 |
| UK Smllr Co Acc | 75.77 | 80.54 | -0.01 | 1.41 |
| New Europe Acc | 60.87 | 64.75 | -0.53 | 1.24 |
| **PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST** | | | | |
| 48 Hart Street, Henley on Thames 0491 417000 | | | | |
| Asian Smllr Mkt | 93.31 | 99.80 | -0.15 | 0.11 |
| PEP Gth Inc | 100.26 | 107.24 | -1.78 | 1.33 |
| Intl Gth | 487.00 | 520.86 | -7.79 | 0.77 |
| Income | 304.26 | 325.42 | -0.38 | 3.19 |
| W wide Recov | 310.26 | 331.83 | -6.73 | 0.37 |
| American Gth | 203.80 | 217.97 | -6.31 | 0.01 |
| Intl Emerg Cos | 187.47 | 200.51 | -0.94 | 0.32 |
| Far East Gth | 220.33 | 235.65 | -4.92 | 0.01 |
| European Gth | 113.32 | 121.20 | -1.30 | 1.26 |
| UK Growth | 76.69 | 82.09 | -0.17 | 2.85 |
| High Income | 82.44 | 88.18 | -0.22 | 4.35 |
| Japanese Gth | 217.06 | 231.08 | -8.27 | 0.01 |
| **PROLIFIC UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| Walbrook Hse, 23 Walbrook, London EC4N 8LD. Dealing: 0800 282443 | | | | |
| International | 173.40 | 184.50 | -2.50 | 0.69 |
| High Income | 107.60 | 114.50 | +0.40 | 3.68 |
| Conv Gilt | 108.60 | 115.60 | -0.30 | 6.05 |
| Far East | 310.90 | 330.80 | -12.50 | 0.23 |
| Global Inc Acc | 31.50 | 33.51 | -0.20 | 5.24 |
| **PROSPERITY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| 1 Sessions Hse Sq, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX. 0622 674751 | | | | |
| American | 50.02 | 53.21 | -0.92 | 0.21 |
| Emerging Mkts | 63.94 | 68.02 | -2.15 | 0.56 |
| General | 46.30 | 49.26 | -0.50 | 3.26 |
| International | 84.03 | 89.39 | -0.54 | 1.36 |
| Gilt Units | 26.68 | 27.50 | -0.11 | 7.23 |
| Global PEP | 34.60 | 36.81 | -0.19 | 2.10 |
| Income Gth | 65.08 | 69.23 | +0.72 | 4.73 |
| European | 42.96 | 45.70 | -0.14 | 0.66 |
| Gilt/Fixed Int | 24.42 | 25.98 | ... | 6.06 |
| **PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUSTS LTD** | | | | |
| 51/69 Ilford Hill, Ilford, Essex IG1 2DL 081 478 3377. Enquiries: 071 911 4498 Intermediary Dealing: 071 911 4314 Pricebank: 0426 925891 | | | | |
| Pru Mngd Tst | 30.93 | 33.08 | -0.37 | 1.76 |
| Pru Csh Hvn Inc | 101.65 | 102.15 | +0.08 | 4.86 |
| -do- Acc | 105.79 | 106.31 | +0.08 | 4.86 |
| Pru Equity | 639.05 | 683.47 | -0.46 | 2.73 |
| Pru Equity Inc | 77.94 | 83.35 | +0.16 | 4.59 |
| Pru European | 172.17 | 184.13 | -1.65 | 1.19 |
| Pru Global Gth | 77.83 | 83.23 | -1.64 | 1.39 |
| Pru High Inc | 84.06 | 89.90 | +0.38 | 5.01 |
| Pru Intl | 159.83 | 170.94 | -3.20 | 1.16 |
| Pru Intl Sm Co | 69.41 | 74.23 | -1.22 | 0.69 |
| Pru Japanese | 203.21 | 217.33 | -6.55 | ... |
| Pru Nth Amer | 140.77 | 150.55 | -3.07 | 0.85 |
| Pru Pacific Mkt | 75.88 | 81.15 | -1.54 | 1.22 |
| Pru Premr Inc | 50.19 | 52.27 | -0.34 | 5.18 |
| Pru Smllr Cos | 80.49 | 86.08 | -0.90 | 2.19 |
| Pru Spec Sits | 95.02 | 101.62 | +0.10 | 2.63 |
| Pru UK Growth | 107.06 | 114.50 | +0.16 | 2.52 |
| **ROTHSCHILD FUND MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| St Swithin's Lane, London EC4N 8NR Dealing: 071 634 2881/4 | | | | |
| FA Income | 151.31 | 161.61 | -0.31 | 3.70 |
| FA Japan | 278.67 | 296.48 | -12.72 | ... |
| FA Maj UK Cos | 89.12 | 95.19 | -0.08 | 2.65 |
| FA America Inc | 487.25 | 519.22 | -12.49 | 0.87 |
| -do- Acc | 568.92 | 606.25 | -14.58 | 0.87 |
| FA Smlr UK Cos | 266.75 | 288.64 | -0.42 | 1.62 |
| FA European | 251.40 | 266.47 | -0.77 | 1.40 |
| **SAVE & PROSPER GROUP** | | | | |
| 16-22 Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB 0708 766966 or 0800 929929 (IFAs only) | | | | |
| Amer Inc Gth | 71.46 | 76.02 | -1.24 | 3.68 |
| Capital Units | 141.30 | 150.30 | -1.20 | 1.31 |
| Commodity | 109.80 | 116.80 | -5.20 | 1.12 |
| European Gth | 155.40 | 165.30 | -2.10 | 1.18 |
| Financial Sec | 175.10 | 186.30 | -3.10 | 1.81 |
| High Return | 207.40 | 220.70 | -2.50 | 3.75 |
| High Yield | 202.90 | 215.90 | -1.00 | 4.03 |
| Income Units | 108.80 | 115.70 | ... | 4.76 |
| Investment | 176.50 | 187.80 | -1.20 | 1.27 |
| Japan Gth | 157.60 | 167.70 | -3.30 | ... |
| Japan Smaller | 184.80 | 196.60 | -3.90 | ... |
| Masterfund | 45.93 | 48.86 | -1.34 | 1.30 |
| Scotbits | 255.00 | 271.30 | -4.80 | 1.52 |
| Scotshares | 252.60 | 268.70 | -2.00 | 2.73 |
| Scotyields | 220.00 | 234.00 | -1.80 | 3.98 |
| Select Intl | 128.10 | 136.30 | -2.70 | 0.41 |
| Smaller Cos | 227.40 | 241.90 | -1.10 | 3.89 |
| Special Situation | 107.70 | 114.60 | -2.80 | 0.84 |
| UK Equity | 215.50 | 229.30 | -5.70 | 2.84 |
| US Growth | 136.80 | 144.50 | -3.10 | 0.39 |
| **SCHRODER UNIT TRUSTS LTD** | | | | |
| Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London, EC4V 4EJ. Client line: 0800 526 535 Broker line: 0800 526 540 | | | | |
| American | 234.70 | 249.61 | -3.79 | 0.59 |
| -do- Acc | 254.28 | 270.44 | -4.11 | 0.59 |
| Australian | 131.47 | 140.23 | -1.25 | 0.81 |
| -do- Acc | 154.56 | 164.86 | -1.47 | 0.41 |
| UK Enterprise | 211.46 | 225.55 | +0.22 | 2.37 |
| -do- Acc | 247.11 | 263.57 | +0.26 | 2.37 |
| European Gth | 61.09 | 66.00 | -0.49 | 1.36 |
| -do- Acc | 63.45 | 67.51 | -0.51 | 1.36 |
| Euro Smllr Cos | 55.76 | 59.48 | +0.28 | 0.45 |
| -do- Acc | 56.14 | 59.87 | +0.29 | 0.45 |
| Far Eastern Gth | 73.08 | 77.95 | -0.11 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 74.26 | 79.21 | -0.11 | ... |
| Fixed Interest | 54.59 | 57.98 | -0.09 | 6.51 |
| -do- Acc | 66.29 | 69.92 | -0.11 | 6.51 |
| Gilt Income | 105.43 | 111.11 | -0.44 | 7.43 |
| -do- Acc | 147.25 | 155.17 | -0.62 | 7.43 |
| Income | 318.54 | 339.77 | +0.24 | 3.79 |
| -do- Acc | 939.59 | 1002.2 | +0.71 | 3.79 |
| Japan Enterprise | 69.51 | 74.14 | -1.66 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 69.51 | 74.14 | -1.66 | ... |
| Japan Smllr Cos | 485.37 | 517.72 | -5.37 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 486.34 | 518.75 | -5.38 | ... |
| Pacific Gth | 95.31 | 101.66 | +0.23 | 0.07 |
| -do- Acc | 98.14 | 104.67 | +0.23 | 0.07 |
| Smaller Cos | 188.65 | 201.22 | -0.58 | 0.80 |
| -do- Acc | 218.19 | 232.73 | -0.67 | 0.80 |
| Tokyo | 111.09 | 118.49 | -2.12 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 112.21 | 119.69 | -2.14 | ... |
| UK Equity | 206.93 | 220.72 | +0.78 | 2.57 |
| -do- Acc | 387.99 | 413.85 | +1.45 | 2.57 |
| US Smllr Cos | 133.07 | 141.94 | -5.62 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 133.07 | 141.94 | -5.62 | ... |
| World Fd | 70.33 | 75.01 | -0.33 | 2.08 |
| -do- Acc | 74.15 | 79.08 | -0.35 | 2.08 |
| **SCOTTISH AMICABLE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| 150 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5NQ 041 204 2200 | | | | |
| Equity Income | 46.49 | 49.51 | -0.02 | 3.72 |
| Equity Strategy | 62.30 | 66.35 | -0.79 | 1.04 |
| European Opps | 71.17 | 75.80 | -0.35 | 3.22 |

| | Bid | Offer | Wkly +/- | Yld % |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Maximum Inc | 99.65 | 102.22 | -0.09 | 5.38 |
| UK Smaller Cos | 53.37 | 56.84 | +0.17 | 2.33 |
| **SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS** | | | | |
| 19 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh. 031 225 2211 | | | | |
| UK Equity | 335.40 | 358.50 | +1.40 | 2.93 |
| American | 244.60 | 259.80 | -4.00 | 0.78 |
| Pacific | 334.90 | 358.20 | -6.80 | 0.62 |
| European | 442.50 | 473.20 | -5.10 | 1.21 |
| Worldwide | 79.60 | 85.13 | -0.61 | 1.11 |
| **SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT** | | | | |
| 109 St Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN 041 248 6100 | | | | |
| UK Equity | 295.20 | 314.10 | -1.90 | 2.75 |
| UK Sm Cos Eqty | 207.00 | 220.30 | -1.10 | 1.62 |
| European | 324.80 | 345.60 | -5.40 | 1.89 |
| North American | 250.80 | 266.90 | -8.20 | 0.64 |
| Income Plus Inc | 66.63 | 70.90 | -0.12 | 3.78 |
| UK Spec Sits | 66.51 | 70.76 | +0.22 | 2.89 |
| **SCOTTISH PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 6 St Andrew Sq, Edinburgh EH2 2YA 031 558 2341/2/3 | | | | |
| Equity Gth Acc | 25.21 | 26.98 | +0.02 | 2.93 |
| Intl Growth Acc | 29.31 | 31.36 | -0.57 | 1.01 |
| Machin Ldrs Acc | 25.37 | 27.15 | +0.02 | 3.06 |
| FOR SGTR TRUSTS SEE HENDERSON | | | | |
| **SINGER & FRIEDLANDER INVESTMENT FUNDS LTD** | | | | |
| 21 New Street, Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4HR 071 626 6226 | | | | |
| European | 399.16 | ... | -0.55 | ... |
| Global Bond | 100.30 | ... | -0.10 | 7.50 |
| Japan Samurai | 106.79 | ... | -2.59 | ... |
| UK Growth | 108.88 | ... | -0.03 | 3.99 |
| **STANDARD LIFE TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 3 George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ 0800 393777 | | | | |
| Managed | 43.65 | 46.38 | -0.36 | 1.66 |
| Equity Gth Acc | 59.57 | 63.30 | -0.46 | 1.54 |
| UK Eq General | 40.95 | 43.51 | -0.16 | 2.30 |
| -do- Acc | 54.08 | 57.46 | -0.21 | 2.30 |
| European Acc | 41.19 | 43.77 | -0.48 | 1.11 |
| Far East Acc | 56.18 | 59.70 | -0.72 | 0.18 |
| Gilt Fxd Int Inc | 31.30 | 33.20 | -0.05 | 6.25 |
| N American Acc | 42.55 | 45.21 | -0.96 | 1.00 |
| O/s Lgr Cos Acc | 281.30 | 308.30 | -3.20 | 1.43 |
| UK Eq High Inc | 35.38 | 37.60 | -0.23 | 3.93 |
| -do- Acc | 42.02 | 44.65 | -0.28 | 3.93 |
| UK Lgr Cos Inc | 283.30 | 307.40 | -1.50 | 3.81 |
| UK Lgr Cos Acc | 368.80 | 400.20 | -2.00 | 3.81 |
| **STATE STREET UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| Birchin Court, 20 Birchin Lane, London EC3V 9AQ. 071 626 7977 | | | | |
| Global A | N233.58 | N253.81 | +0.01 | 1.25 |
| US Eq | $2.133 | $2.265 | +0.02 | 1.18 |
| Far East Eq | Y242.0 | Y257.1 | +1.60 | ... |
| Japan Eq | Y243.9 | Y259.1 | -0.30 | ... |
| FT Europe | 110.50 | 117.40 | -1.30 | 2.22 |
| FT North Am | $1.713 | $1.816 | +0.00 | 1.32 |
| FT Japan | Y244.5 | Y259.7 | +0.90 | ... |
| FT Asia Ex Jap | $1.888 | $2.005 | +0.01 | 1.52 |
| **STEWART IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 45 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh 031 226 3271 | | | | |
| American | 338.00 | 357.30 | -10.30 | 0.32 |
| British | 941.20 | 998.80 | +8.50 | 4.10 |
| European | 390.00 | 415.00 | -1.20 | 1.40 |
| Japan | 148.30 | 157.40 | -4.20 | ... |
| New Pacific | 296.90 | 316.20 | -2.60 | 1.04 |
| Mngd Cash | 95.59 | 95.59 | +0.07 | 5.20 |
| Majority Stg | 99.78 | 100.78 | +0.06 | 4.93 |
| Inv Tst | 189.50 | 200.90 | -0.70 | 1.79 |
| Saints PPP | 381.60 | 401.70 | +1.20 | ... |
| **SUN ALLIANCE** | | | | |
| Adams, 5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex 0277 227300 Dealing: 0277 690399 | | | | |
| Equity Acc | 711.90 | 761.40 | +0.20 | 3.05 |
| N America Acc | 116.40 | 124.50 | -2.60 | 0.20 |
| Far East Acc | 124.60 | 133.30 | -1.90 | ... |
| W wide Bond | 61.33 | 65.11 | -0.68 | 5.41 |
| European | 82.18 | 87.89 | -2.06 | 1.00 |
| Equity Income | 81.71 | 87.39 | +0.23 | 4.04 |
| **SUN LIFE OF CANADA** | | | | |
| Basingview, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2DZ Dealing: 0256 841414 | | | | |
| American Gth | 33.82 | 36.18 | -0.63 | 0.43 |
| Managed Assets | 116.64 | 124.75 | -0.30 | 3.15 |
| UK Income | 35.79 | 38.28 | -0.02 | 3.15 |
| UK Growth | 35.63 | 38.11 | +0.08 | 2.32 |
| Worldwide Gth | 31.00 | 33.16 | -0.46 | 0.37 |
| **TSB UNIT TRUSTS LTD** | | | | |
| Charlton Place, Andover, Hants. SP10 1RE 0264 346794 | | | | |
| American | 206.13 | 219.29 | -3.95 | 0.03 |
| -do- Acc | 226.40 | 240.85 | -4.35 | 0.03 |
| British Gth | 83.97 | 89.33 | +0.75 | 2.00 |
| -do- Acc | 98.80 | 105.11 | +0.89 | 2.00 |
| European | 91.38 | 97.21 | -0.14 | 1.04 |
| -do- Acc | 96.39 | 102.54 | -0.15 | 1.04 |
| Extra Inc | 185.59 | 197.44 | +0.99 | 4.10 |
| -do- Acc | 296.06 | 314.96 | +1.58 | 4.10 |
| General Unit | 258.07 | 274.54 | -0.99 | 2.50 |
| -do- Acc | 515.39 | 548.29 | -1.98 | 2.50 |
| Income | 317.86 | 338.15 | -0.74 | 3.67 |
| -do- Acc | 660.55 | 702.71 | -1.53 | 3.67 |
| International | 486.19 | 517.22 | -4.66 | 0.41 |
| -do- Acc | 636.47 | 677.10 | -6.09 | 0.41 |
| Pacific | 344.80 | 366.81 | -5.39 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 362.20 | 385.32 | -5.66 | ... |
| Premier Income | 51.07 | 53.20 | -0.74 | 6.39 |
| -do- Acc | 107.97 | 112.47 | +0.01 | 6.39 |
| **THORNTON UNIT MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| Swan House, 33 Queen St, London EC4R 1AX 071 493 7262 Dealing: 071 493 8545 | | | | |
| European Opps | 60.33 | 64.20 | -0.54 | 0.46 |
| -do- Acc | 60.95 | 64.86 | -0.56 | 0.46 |
| Far East Opps | 149.85 | 159.84 | -4.40 | ... |
| -do- Acc | 153.34 | 163.56 | -4.52 | ... |
| **WAVERLEY UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT LTD** | | | | |
| 13 Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh EH2 4DJ 031 225 1551 | | | | |
| Australasian Gold | 19 | 20.21 | -0.37 | 0.50 |
| Pacific Basin | 31.98 | 34.02 | -1.00 | 0.60 |
| Canadian Gth | 34.91 | 37.15 | -1.32 | ... |
| Global Bond | $0.970 | $1.011 | +0.00 | 7.13 |
| Penny Share | 24.40 | 25.95 | +0.05 | 1.50 |
| **WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS** | | | | |
| 2 Honey Lane, London EC2V 8BT 071 606 3032 | | | | |
| City Reserve | 53.04 | 53.04 | +0.04 | 5.04 |
| Gilt Growth | 68.56 | 71.36 | -0.40 | ... |
| Gilt Income | 52.45 | 54.58 | -0.45 | 7.50 |
| Short Dtd Gilt | 108.50 | 109.90 | -0.30 | ... |
| US Govmnt Bd | $0.716 | $0.725 | 0.00 | ... |
| Challenger | 94.80 | 97.01 | -1.23 | ... |
| **WOOLWICH UNIT TRUST MANAGERS LTD** | | | | |
| 2 White Oak Square, Swanley BR8 7AG 081 298 4000 | | | | |
| Stockmarket Fd | 66.99 | 71.26 | ... | 2.01 |

Source: Finstat

* Yield expressed as CAR (Compound Annual Return); † Ex dividend; ‡ Middle price; ... No significant data.

## FT-SE VOLUMES

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ASDA Gp | 5,900 | Cadbury | 3,200 | MB Cardn | 425 | Scot Power | 990 |
| Abbey Natl | 2,900 | Carlton C | 582 | Marks Spr | 2,700 | Sears | 4,800 |
| Alld-Lyons | 1,700 | Coats Vyla | 835 | NFC | 331 | Svrn Trent | 1,100 |
| Anglian W | 695 | Cm Union | 1,600 | NatWst Bk | 1,600 | Shell Trans | 5,200 |
| Argyll Gp | 3,500 | Courtaulds | 1,300 | Nat Power | 355 | Siebe | 610 |
| Arjo Wiggn | 2,600 | De La Rue | 598 | Nth Wst W | 1,100 | SmKl Bch | 1,400 |
| AB Foods | 723 | Enterpr Oil | 223 | Nthrn Fds | 466 | Smith Nph | 1,000 |
| BAA | 2,000 | Forte | 2,700 | P & O | 1,100 | Std Chartd | 204 |
| BAT Inds | 6,700 | GRE | 5,600 | Pearson | 366 | Sun Allnce | 1,800 |
| BOC | 1,800 | GUS A | 279 | PowerGen | 841 | TI Gp | 329 |
| BP | 6,300 | Gen Acc | 1,400 | Prudential | 20,000 | TSB | 3,600 |
| BT | 3,600 | Gen Elec | 6,100 | RMC | 256 | Tate & Lyle | 501 |
| BTR | 2,900 | Glaxo | 5,000 | RTZ | 1,200 | Tesco | 6,800 |
| Bk of Scot | 965 | Granada | 1,200 | Rank Org | 1,200 | Thames W | 1,100 |
| Barclays | 3,700 | Grand Met | 2,900 | Reckitt Col | 569 | Thrn EMI | 640 |
| Bass | 1,500 | Guinness | 2,100 | Redland | 991 | Tomkins | 1,300 |
| Blue Circle | 1,700 | HSBC | 4,300 | Reed Intl | 834 | Unilever | 2,500 |
| Boots | 4,300 | Hanson | 11,000 | Rentokil | 1,100 | Utd Bisc | 421 |
| Bowater | 1,600 | ICI | 2,700 | Reuters | 487 | Vodafone | 1,300 |
| Brit Aero | 2,200 | Inchcape | 998 | Rothmans | 41 | Warburg (SG) | 106 |
| Brit Airways | 4,700 | Kingfisher | 1,200 | Ryl Ins | 3,300 | Wellcome | 1,800 |
| Brit Gas | 4,800 | Ladbroke | 895 | Ryl Bk Scot | 493 | Whitbd 'A' | 1,200 |
| Brit Steel | 24,000 | Land Secs | 1,300 | Sainsbury | 6,800 | Wlms Hld | 1,900 |
| Burmah C | 341 | Legal & Gn | 7,500 | Scot Hydroc | 297 | Wolseley | 1,400 |
| Cable Wire | 1,900 | Lloyds Bk | 1,400 | Scot & New | 401 | Zeneca | 4,900 |

## MAJOR INDICES

**New York (midday):**
Dow Jones 3532.77 (-7.55)
S&P Composite 445.73 (-1.22)

**Tokyo:**
Nikkei Av'ge 19734.57 (-381.24)

**Hong Kong:**
Hang Seng 6750.33 (-9.69)

**Amsterdam:**
CBS Tendency 118.0 (+0.4)

**Sydney:** AO 1806.8 (-4.3)

**Frankfurt:**
DAX 1830.83 (-7.31)

**FT 30 share:** 2234.6 (-8.3)

**Brussels:**
General 6717.72 (-11.38)

**Paris:** CAC 541.66 (-4.74)

**Zurich:** SKA Gen 545.30 (+0.30)

**London:**
FT A All-Share 1402.39 (+2.95)
FT 500 1512.14 (+6.66)
FT Gold Mines 218.4 (+7.8)
FT Fixed Interest 117.02 (-0.09)
FT Govt Secs 97.98 (+0.01)
Bargains 24894
SEAQ Volume 539.5m
USM (Datastrm) 138.71 (-0.39)

## TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

| First Dealings | Last Dealings | Last Declaration | For Settlement |
|---|---|---|---|
| July 12 | July 23 | October 14 | October 25 |

Call options were taken out on 23/7/93: Acorn Comp, Black Arrow, Fairhaven Intl, Medeva, Seafield, Wates City Of London.
Puts: LIT Hldgs, UK Land.
Put & Call: Ascot Hldgs.

## LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

| | Period | Open | High | Low | Close | Volume |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **FT-SE 100** | Sep 93 | 2810.0 | 2846.0 | 2809.0 | 2834.0 | 10221 |
| Previous open interest: 48530 | Dec 93 | 2834.5 | 2852.0 | 2834.5 | 2852.0 | 46 |
| **Three Month Sterling** | Sep 93 | 94.07 | 94.12 | 94.05 | 94.11 | 21030 |
| Previous open interest: 348860 | Dec 93 | 94.27 | 94.37 | 94.26 | 94.33 | 21406 |
| | Mar 94 | 94.28 | 94.34 | 94.25 | 94.31 | 5866 |
| **Three Mth Eurodollar** | Sep 93 | 96.56 | 96.57 | 96.55 | 96.57 | 368 |
| Previous open interest: 13904 | Dec 93 | 96.07 | 96.07 | 96.06 | 96.07 | 397 |
| **Three Mth Euro DM** | Sep 93 | 93.27 | 93.36 | 93.27 | 93.35 | 71911 |
| Previous open interest: 674248 | Dec 93 | 93.90 | 93.95 | 93.87 | 93.94 | 34496 |
| **Long Gilt** | Sep 93 | 108-01 | 108-12 | 107-28 | 108-03 | 34790 |
| Previous open interest: 91548 | Dec 93 | 107-30 | 107-20 | 107-16 | 107-15 | 152 |
| **Japanese Govmt Bond** | Sep 93 | 110.62 | 110.70 | 110.57 | 110.58 | 2189 |
| | Dec 93 | 109.70 | 109.78 | 109.70 | 109.68 | 410 |
| **German Gov Bd Bund** | Sep 93 | 96.16 | 96.35 | 96.13 | 96.19 | 64791 |
| Previous open interest: 187854 | Dec 93 | 96.34 | 96.46 | 96.34 | 96.35 | 6207 |
| **German Gov Bd Bobl** | Sep 93 | 99.96 | 100.03 | 99.91 | 99.95 | 2837 |
| Previous open interest: 19392 | Dec 93 | | | | 100.16 | 0 |
| **Three month ECU** | Sep 93 | 92.70 | 93.00 | 92.68 | 92.89 | 2601 |
| Previous open interest: 31695 | Dec 93 | 93.53 | 93.69 | 93.49 | 93.69 | 662 |
| **Euro Swiss Franc** | Sep 93 | 95.50 | 95.54 | 95.50 | 95.51 | 3108 |
| Previous open interest: 45053 | Dec 93 | 95.80 | 95.81 | 95.78 | 95.79 | 437 |
| **Italian Govmt Bond** | Sep 93 | 103.95 | 104.12 | 103.71 | 104.10 | 14232 |
| Previous open interest: 50547 | Dec 93 | 103.60 | 103.68 | 103.45 | 103.68 | 300 |

## MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was down at 81.7 (day's range 81.7-81.8).

## STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

| Mkt Rates for July 23 | Range | Close | 1 month | 3 month |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amsterdam | 2.8918-2.8987 | 2.8928-2.8963 | [illegible]ds | [illegible]ds |
| Brussels | 53.20-53.33 | 53.25-53.33 | 8-13ds | 20-29ds |
| Copenhagen | 9.9930-10.0380 | 10.0150-10.0380 | n/a | n/a |
| Dublin | 1.0665-1.0688 | 1.0669-1.0688 | 3-8ds | 11-19ds |
| Frankfurt | 2.5658-2.5784 | 2.5751-2.5784 | [illegible]ds | [illegible]ds |
| Lisbon | 255.80-257.90 | 255.80-257.60 | 129-146ds | 335-383ds |
| Madrid | 204.00-207.30 | 205.29-206.19 | 128-175ds | 302-396ds |
| Milan | 2416.20-2421.70 | 2417.00-2421.70 | 8-10ds | 23-26ds |
| Montreal | 1.9174-1.9235 | 1.9180-1.9209 | 0.36-0.27pr | 0.68-0.57pr |
| New York | 1.4980-1.5015 | 1.4985-1.4995 | 0.38-0.37pr | 1.09-1.07pr |
| Oslo | 10.9910-11.0340 | 11.0060-11.0290 | [illegible]ds | [illegible]ds |
| Paris | 8.7830-8.8100 | 8.7960-8.8100 | [illegible]ds | [illegible]ds |
| Stockholm | 12.1030-12.1550 | 12.1070-12.1310 | [illegible]ds | [illegible]ds |
| Tokyo | 159.68-161.15 | 159.96-160.23 | [illegible]pr | [illegible]pr |
| Vienna | 18.11-18.15 | 18.11-18.15 | 1-2½ds | [illegible]ds |
| Zurich | 2.2679-2.2728 | 2.2702-2.2728 | [illegible]pr | [illegible]pr |

Source: Extel. Premium - pr. Discount - ds.

## OTHER STERLING

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina peso* | 1.4983-1.5009 |
| Australia dollar | 2.2140-2.2172 |
| Bahrain dinar | 0.5605-0.5725 |
| Brazil cruzeiro * | 100336.6-100471.8 |
| Cyprus pound | 0.762-0.778 |
| Finland marka | 8.758-8.882 |
| Greece drachma | 351.75-358.75 |
| Hong Kong dollar | 11.6307-11.6400 |
| India rupee | 46.68-47.64 |
| Kuwait dinar KD | 0.4485-0.4585 |
| Malaysia ringgit | 3.8475-3.8516 |
| Mexico peso | 4.60-4.70 |
| New Zealand dollar | 2.7213-2.7281 |
| Saudi Arabia riyal | 5.5695-5.6955 |
| Singapore dollar | 2.4240-2.4272 |
| S Africa rand (fin) | 6.6294-7.0088 |
| S Africa rand (com) | 5.0057-5.0122 |
| U A E dirham | 5.4530-5.5770 |

Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank

## DOLLAR SPOT RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Australia | 1.4760-1.4771 |
| Austria | 12.09-12.10 |
| Belgium (Com) | 35.54-35.56 |
| Canada | 1.280-1.281 |
| Denmark | 6.684-6.694 |
| France | 5.875-5.880 |
| Germany | 1.7155-1.7165 |
| Hong Kong | 7.7538-7.7548 |
| Ireland | 1.4030-1.4045 |
| Italy | 1613.0-1615.0 |
| Japan | 106.6-106.7 |
| Malaysia | 2.565-2.566 |
| Netherlands | 1.934-1.935 |
| Norway | 7.345-7.355 |
| Portugal | 170.75-171.75 |
| Singapore | 1.616-1.617 |
| Spain | 137.75-138.25 |
| Sweden | 8.103-8.113 |
| Switzerland | 1.5140-1.5147 |

## MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 6 Finance Hse 6
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 5⅞ Low 5¼ Week fixed: [illegible]
Treasury Bills (Dis): Buy: 2 mth [illegible]; 3 mth [illegible]. Sell: 2 mth [illegible]; 3 mth: [illegible].

| | 1 mth | 2 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth | 12 mth |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Prime Bank Bills (Dis): | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| Sterling Money Rates: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | |
| Interbank: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

Overnight: open [illegible], close 4½.

| | 1 mth | 2 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth | 12 mth |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Local Authority Deps: | [illegible] | n/a | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Sterling CDs: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Dollar CDs: | 3.10-3.05 | n/a | 3.18-3.13 | 3.43-3.41 | 3.72-3.67 |
| Building Society CDs: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |

TREASURY BILLS: Applcts: £292m allotted: £100m; Bids: £98.72% received: 98%: Last week: £98.72% received: 89%: Avge rate: £5.1336% last wk £5.1341%: Next week: £100m.

## EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

| Currency | 7 day | 1 mth | 3 mth | 6 mth | Call |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dollar: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Deutschemark: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| French Franc: | 15-9 | 13-8 | 11-8 | 10-7 | [illegible] |
| Swiss Franc: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | n/a |
| Yen: | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | 5-4 |

## GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS (Baird & Co)

Bullion: Open $392.30-392.60 Close: $390.30-390.60 High: $392.60-393.10 Low: $388.40-388.90 Krugerrand: $389.00-391.00 (£259.00-261.00)
Sovereigns: Old $91.00-93.00 (£60.00-62.00) New $91.00-93.00 (£60.00-62.00)
Platinum: $404.15 (£269.60) Silver: $5.02 (£2.35) Palladium: $138.90 (£92.65)

## LIFFE OPTIONS

| Series | | Calls Jul | Calls Oct | Calls Jan | Puts Jul | Puts Oct | Puts Jan |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alld Lyon | 500 | 46½ | 59½ | 68 | 1 | 6½ | 15 |
| (*541½) | 550 | 4 | 26½ | 37 | 9½ | 25 | 34½ |
| Argyll | 280 | 14 | 26½ | 32 | 1½ | 9 | 15 |
| (*291) | 300 | 2 | 15½ | 22 | 10½ | 19 | 25½ |
| ASDA | 57 | 5½ | 7½ | - | 1 | 4 | - |
| (*61½) | 67 | 1 | 3½ | - | 7 | 10½ | - |
| Boots | 420 | 16 | 34 | 41½ | 1½ | 13½ | 22 |
| (*432½) | 460 | 1 | 12 | 22½ | 28½ | 35½ | 43½ |
| Br Airways | 316 | 13½ | 28½ | 36 | 2 | 13 | 20 |
| (*326) | 345 | 1 | 14½ | 22 | 19½ | 28 | 35½ |
| BP | 280 | 16 | 24 | 29½ | 1 | 8 | 14 |
| (*294) | 300 | 2½ | 13½ | 19 | 7½ | 17½ | 22½ |
| Br Steel | 100 | 9½ | 15 | 20½ | 1 | 4½ | 7½ |
| (*108) | 110 | 2½ | 9½ | 20 | 3½ | 9½ | 12½ |
| C & W | 750 | 18 | 48 | 64 | 3½ | 21½ | 33 |
| (*766½) | 800 | 1 | 23½ | 37 | 38½ | 51 | 60½ |
| CU | 580 | 34 | 45 | - | 1 | 14½ | - |
| (*607½) | 630 | 2 | 18 | - | 19 | 41 | - |
| ICI | 633 | 25 | 41 | 56½ | 2 | 22 | 30 |
| (*655) | 657 | 7 | 27 | 43½ | 9 | 34½ | 42½ |
| Kingfishr | 584 | 21 | 39½ | - | 1½ | 16 | - |
| (*634) | 632 | 1 | 16 | - | 31 | 42½ | - |
| Land Sec | 600 | 9 | 31 | 41 | 4 | 17 | 26 |
| (*607) | 650 | 1 | 9½ | 19½ | 47½ | 49½ | 55½ |
| M & S | 330 | 9 | 24 | 30½ | 1½ | 10½ | 15½ |
| (*339) | 360 | 1 | 9½ | 16½ | 22½ | 27 | 31½ |
| Nat West | 460 | 22½ | 33½ | 45½ | 1½ | 15 | 20½ |
| (*480) | 500 | 1½ | 14½ | 24 | 22 | 37½ | 42½ |
| Sainsbury | 420 | 30½ | 52 | 59½ | 1 | 6½ | 12½ |
| (*457½) | 460 | 5 | 25½ | 35 | 7½ | 21½ | 28½ |
| Shell | 600 | 17½ | 32 | 42½ | 2 | 10½ | 24½ |
| (*614½) | 650 | 1 | 8½ | 19½ | 36½ | 49 | 53½ |
| Smkl Bch | 420 | 17 | 36 | 49 | 2 | 16½ | 24½ |
| (*435½) | 460 | 1½ | 17½ | 30½ | 26½ | 39 | 46½ |
| Storehse | 180 | 10½ | 18 | 23 | 1½ | 6½ | 11 |
| (*189) | 200 | 1 | 7½ | 13 | 13 | 17 | 22 |
| Trafalgar | 101 | 3 | 9½ | - | 2 | 7½ | - |
| (*100½) | 110 | 1 | 6 | 9 | 9½ | 13½ | 17 |
| Unilever | 950 | 9 | 44 | 61 | 9½ | 31½ | 44 |
| (*959½) | 1000 | 1 | 21½ | 35½ | 53½ | 62 | 73½ |
| Zeneca | 550 | 64 | 72 | 78 | 1 | 7 | 14½ |
| (*612½) | 600 | 14 | 34 | 47 | 2 | 25½ | 33½ |
| **Series** | | **Jul** | **Oct** | **Feb** | **Jul** | **Oct** | **Feb** |
| Grnd Met | 390 | 11½ | 26½ | 33½ | 2½ | 14 | 26 |
| (*398) | 420 | 1 | 15 | 25½ | 23 | 31 | 42½ |
| Ladbroke | 180 | 4 | 14 | 18½ | 3 | 14 | 18 |
| (*179½) | 200 | 1 | 6 | 11 | 21 | 28 | 31 |
| Utd Bisc | 360 | 5½ | 24 | 33 | 6½ | 20½ | 30 |
| (*359) | 390 | 1 | 11½ | 21 | 33 | 39 | 49½ |

| Series | | Calls Aug | Calls Nov | Calls Jan | Puts Aug | Puts Nov | Puts Jan |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BAA | 700 | 42½ | 63½ | 69½ | 3 | 14 | 21 |
| (*737½) | 750 | 9 | 34 | 40½ | 22 | 34½ | 43 |
| Thames W | 460 | 18½ | 33½ | 36½ | 3½ | 16½ | 19½ |
| (*473) | 500 | 2 | 13½ | 17 | 29½ | 39 | 42½ |
| **Series** | | **Aug** | **Nov** | **Feb** | **Aug** | **Nov** | **Feb** |
| BAT Ind | 425 | 27 | 38½ | 48 | 4½ | 13½ | 18 |
| (*450) | 450 | 9 | 24 | 35 | 15 | 25 | 30 |
| BTR | 360 | 16 | 24½ | 31½ | 3 | 13 | 15 |
| (*371) | 390 | 2½ | 10½ | 17 | 21½ | 30 | 32 |
| Br Aero | 390 | 29 | 52 | 66½ | 8½ | 30½ | 39½ |
| (*407) | 420 | 12½ | 37½ | 52 | 23½ | 40 | 55½ |
| Br Telcm | 390 | 29½ | 33½ | 36½ | 1½ | 11½ | 17 |
| (*416½) | 420 | 7 | 15 | 21½ | 9½ | 25 | 32 |
| Cadbury | 420 | 27½ | 39 | 49½ | 2½ | 12 | 17 |
| (*442) | 460 | 4 | 17½ | 28 | 21 | 32 | 36½ |
| Guinness | 420 | 33½ | 47½ | 57 | 2 | 11½ | 16½ |
| (*449) | 460 | 7 | 24 | 33½ | 17 | 29 | 34½ |
| GEC | 330 | 11 | 22½ | 29½ | 4 | 10 | 15½ |
| (*336½) | 360 | 1½ | 9 | 15 | 25½ | 28½ | 31½ |
| Hanson | 220 | 11½ | 17 | 20½ | 2 | 8 | 12½ |
| (*229) | 240 | 1½ | 8 | 11½ | 11½ | 19 | 23 |
| LASMO | 130 | 12½ | 18½ | 23 | 2½ | 8½ | 11 |
| (*138½) | 140 | 5 | 13 | 18½ | 6½ | 14 | 16½ |
| Lucas | 140 | 7½ | 15 | 19 | 4½ | 12½ | 15½ |
| (*142½) | 160 | 1½ | 6½ | 11 | 19 | 26 | 29½ |
| Pilkngtn | 130 | 7 | 14 | 15½ | 3½ | 8½ | 13½ |
| (*132) | 140 | 2½ | 9 | 11 | 9½ | 14½ | 19 |
| Prudential | 330 | 2½ | 11 | 16½ | 20½ | 29 | 32 |
| (*308) | 360 | 1 | 4 | 7½ | 50 | 53½ | 55 |
| Redland | 460 | 24 | 39 | 47½ | 5 | 23 | 28½ |
| (*476½) | 500 | 4 | 18½ | 29 | 28½ | 45½ | 50½ |
| Royal Ins | 317 | 14½ | 26 | 33½ | 4½ | 15 | 18½ |
| (*323) | 346 | 2½ | 12½ | 19½ | 23½ | 31 | 36 |
| Tesco | 200 | 8 | 18 | 24½ | 4 | 11½ | 15½ |
| (*202½) | 220 | 1½ | 9 | 15½ | 17½ | 23½ | 27 |
| Vodafone | 420 | 22½ | 41 | 49 | 4½ | 16½ | 34 |
| (*439½) | 460 | 3½ | 21 | 29½ | 28 | 37 | 45 |
| Williams | 300 | 12½ | 21½ | 29 | 5 | 16 | 20½ |
| (*307) | 330 | 2 | 9 | 15½ | 26 | 36 | 39 |

FT-SE INDEX (*2928)

| | 2700 | 2750 | 2800 | 2850 | 2900 | 2950 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Calls** | | | | | | |
| Aug | 144 | 100 | 62 | 34 | 16 | 8 |
| Sep | 155 | 118 | 84 | 57 | 35 | 21 |
| Oct | 172 | 135 | 104 | 74 | 53 | 36 |
| Nov | 190 | 151 | 123 | 94 | 72 | 52 |
| Dec | 204 | - | 137 | - | 86 | - |
| **Puts** | | | | | | |
| Aug | 11 | 18 | 30 | 52 | 87 | 129 |
| Sep | 22 | 31 | 47 | 70 | 96 | 135 |
| Oct | 30 | 42 | 59 | 82 | 111 | 146 |
| Nov | 42 | 54 | 73 | 96 | 124 | 156 |
| Dec | 52 | - | 85 | - | 134 | - |

| Series | | Calls Sep | Calls Dec | Calls Mar | Puts Sep | Puts Dec | Puts Mar |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Abby Nat | 390 | 15½ | 28 | 34 | 13½ | 21 | 26½ |
| (*394½) | 420 | 4½ | 14½ | 21 | 34½ | 38½ | 44½ |
| Amstrad | 30 | 4½ | 5½ | 6½ | 2 | 3 | 3½ |
| (*32) | 35 | 2 | 3½ | 4½ | 4½ | 5½ | 6½ |
| Barclays | 460 | 21 | 34½ | 43 | 15½ | 24 | 30½ |
| (*467½) | 500 | 5½ | 17 | 24½ | 43½ | 48½ | 54½ |
| Blue Circ | 240 | 16½ | 23½ | 29½ | 8 | 10½ | 19½ |
| (*246) | 260 | 7 | 14½ | 20½ | 20½ | 28 | 31 |
| Br Gas | 280 | 20 | 24 | 29½ | 4 | 10½ | 14 |
| (*293) | 300 | 8 | 13 | 18½ | 13 | 21½ | 25 |
| Dixons | 200 | 18 | 28 | 33 | 6½ | 12 | 15½ |
| (*211) | 220 | 8 | 17½ | 22½ | 17 | 22 | 25½ |
| Forte | 220 | 13 | 19½ | 26½ | 9½ | 16½ | 21 |
| (*220½) | 240 | 5 | 11½ | 17½ | 23 | 29 | 32½ |
| Hillsdwn | 130 | 14 | 18½ | 22 | 4½ | 9½ | 11½ |
| (*138) | 140 | 8 | 13½ | 17 | 9 | 15 | 16½ |
| Lonrho | 130 | 11½ | 17 | 21 | 5½ | 9½ | 13½ |
| (*126) | 130 | 6 | 12½ | 16 | 10 | 14½ | 18½ |
| Sears | 90 | 7½ | 10½ | 12 | 2 | 4½ | 5½ |
| (*95) | 100 | 2½ | 5 | 7 | 7½ | 10½ | 11½ |
| Thrn Emi | 900 | 44½ | 62½ | 72 | 19½ | 32 | 43½ |
| (*936½) | 950 | 13½ | 36½ | 48 | 50½ | 59½ | 69½ |
| Tomkins | 200 | 21½ | 25½ | 30½ | 4 | 8 | 11½ |
| (*219½) | 220 | 7½ | 15 | 19½ | 13 | 17½ | 21 |
| TSB | 180 | 18½ | 24½ | 27½ | 3½ | 7½ | 11 |
| (*195) | 200 | 7 | 13½ | 17 | 13½ | 17 | 22 |
| Wellcome | 600 | 56 | 72½ | 86 | 13 | 29 | 36½ |
| (*637½) | 650 | 26½ | 45½ | 58½ | 33½ | 54 | 61½ |
| **Series** | | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Apr** | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Apr** |
| Glaxo | 500 | 51 | 60 | 74 | 9 | 25 | 35½ |
| (*530) | 550 | 22½ | 37 | 51½ | 31½ | 52 | 62 |
| HSBC | 600 | 43½ | 61½ | 77½ | 17 | 30 | 47½ |
| (*625½) | 650 | 16 | 37 | 56 | 44½ | 57½ | 73½ |
| Reuter | 1400 | 49½ | 93½ | 120 | 48 | 79 | 108 |
| (*1405) | 1450 | 28 | 67½ | 95½ | 78 | 106½ | 134 |
| **Series** | | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Feb** | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Feb** |
| R-Royce | 130 | 16½ | 20½ | 25 | 3 | 9½ | 10 |
| (*140) | 140 | 10 | 15 | 18 | 7½ | 13½ | 15 |
| **Series** | | **Jul** | **Oct** | **Dec** | **Jul** | **Oct** | **Dec** |
| Fisons | 160 | 5 | 16 | 18½ | 3 | 11½ | 16 |
| (*162) | 180 | 1 | 7½ | 10½ | 19½ | 24 | 28½ |
| **Series** | | **Aug** | **Nov** | **Feb** | **Aug** | **Nov** | **Feb** |
| Eastrn Ele | 460 | 30½ | 45 | 52 | 2 | 9 | 15½ |
| (*486½) | 500 | 5 | 21½ | 29½ | 17½ | 26½ | 33½ |
| **Series** | | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Mar** | **Sep** | **Dec** | **Mar** |
| Natl Pwr | 330 | 32 | 41½ | 45½ | 3½ | 8½ | 13 |
| (*354) | 360 | 13 | 23 | 28 | 14½ | 22½ | 25 |
| Scot Pwr | 300 | 17 | 22½ | - | 7 | 11½ | - |
| (*323) | 330 | 5½ | 12½ | 17 | 19½ | 25 | 27 |

July 23, 1993 Tot: 27186 Calls: 14076 Puts: 13110 FT-SE Calls: 3851 Puts: 8229
*Underlying security price.

## COMMODITIES

GNI: Cocoa remained finely balanced, with the uncertainty of the 'no confidence' vote in the UK government, which could have had an impact on the sterling/dollar rate. With the West African producers getting most of their revenue in French francs, the turmoil in the ERM is also of interest. There are also concerns that the large speculative long position in New York makes the market vulnerable to a sell off.

**LONDON FOX COCOA**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jul | 747-743 | Sep | 810-807 |
| Sep | 755-753 | Dec | 822-820 |
| Dec | 765-764 | Mar | 835 SLR |
| Mar | 790-779 | May | 848 SLR |
| May | 790-789 | | |
| Jul | 801-797 | Volume: 6061 | |

**ROBUSTA COFFEE ($)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jul | 669-660 | Mar | 999 SLR |
| Sep | 993-992 | May | 999 SLR |
| Nov | 1002-1001 | Jul | 1000-997 |
| Jan | 999-996 | Volume: 1479 | |

**RAW SUGAR (FOB)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| C Czarnikow | | Dec | unq |
| Spot: unq | | Mar | — |
| May | unq | May | — |
| Aug | — | Aug | — |
| Oct | — | Volume: 0 | |

**WHITE SUGAR (FOB)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Reuters | | May | 272.3-70.0 |
| Spot: 267.0 | | Aug | 277.2-72.5 |
| Oct | 263.5-62.0 | Oct | 269.2-63.4 |
| Dec | 265.0-64.5 | Dec | 272.2-61.4 |
| Mar | 268.4-67.5 | Volume: 382 | |

**MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION**
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on July 23

| (p/kg lw) | Pig | Sheep | Cattle |
|---|---|---|---|
| GB | 73.75 | 92.32 | 129.13 |
| (+/-) | -5.51 | -3.91 | -2.15 |
| Eng/Wales | 73.75 | 92.76 | 128.90 |
| (+/-) | -5.51 | -3.16 | -2.20 |
| (%) | +24.3 | -58.6 | -43.9 |
| Scotland | n/a | 91.20 | 130.66 |
| (+/-) | n/a | -6.06 | -2.69 |
| (%) | n/a | -17.4 | -4.5 |

**LONDON MEAT FUTURES**
Live Pig (/kg)

| | Open | Close | | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jul | 110.7 | 110.7 | Oct | 103.0 | 103.0 |
| Aug | 102.6 | 102.6 | Volume: 10 | | |

**GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES**

WHEAT (close £/t)
Sep 106.40
Nov 107.85
Jan 110.15
Mar 112.20
May 114.20
Volume: 79

BARLEY (close £/t)
Sep 102.15
Nov 104.30
Jan 106.80
Mar 108.70
May 109.60
Volume: 145

HI-PRO SOYA (close £/t)
Aug 183.50
Oct 184.00
Dec 184.30
Feb 184.50
Apr 185.50
Volume: 0

POTATO (£/t)

| | Open | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Nov | unq | 60.0 |
| Apr | 59.0 | 88.4 |
| May | 98.1 | 98.7 |
| Volume: 137 | | |

RUBBER
No 1 RSS Cif (p/kg)
Aug 58.75-59.25

ICIS-LOR (London 6.00pm): A quiet end to a hectic week found levels little changed on the day.

**CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Brent Physical | 16.70 | (n/c) |
| Brent 15 day (Aug) | 16.70 | (n/c) |
| Brent 15 day (Sep) | 16.65 | (n/c) |
| W Texas Intermediate (Sep) | 17.75 | +0.10 |
| W Texas Intermediate (Oct) | 18.00 | +0.05 |

**PRODUCTS ($/MT)**
Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

| | Bid | Offer |
|---|---|---|
| Premium Gas .15 | 194 (n/c) | 196 (n/c) |
| Gasoil EEC | 161 (-2) | 162 (-2) |
| Non EEC 1H Aug | 162 (+3) | 163 (-3) |
| Non EEC 1H Sep | 163 (+2) | 164 (-1) |
| 3.5 Fuel Oil | 58 (n/c) | 60 (n/c) |
| Naphtha | 161 (n/c) | 163 (n/c) |

**IPE FUTURES GNI Ltd**

GAS OIL

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aug | 159.75-60.00 | Nov | 163.75-64.00 |
| Sep | 160.00-60.25 | Dec | 166.00-66.25 |
| Oct | 162.00 SLR | Jan | 167.25-67.50 |
| | | Vol: 14349 | |

BRENT (6.00pm)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sep | 16.65-16.66 | Dec | 17.04-17.05 |
| Oct | 16.76-16.77 | Jan | 17.13-17.21 |
| Nov | 16.89 BID | Vol: 24881 | |

UNLEADED GASOLINE

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Aug | 183.75-86.50 | Nov | unq |
| Sep | 179.00 BID | Dec | unq |
| Oct | unq | Vol: 57 | |

**BIFFEX GNI Ltd ($10/pt)**

| | High | Low | Close |
|---|---|---|---|
| Jul 93 | 1340 | 1340 | 1338 |
| Aug 93 | 1300 | 1290 | 1294 |
| Sep 93 | 1335 | 1335 | 1336 |
| Oct 93 | 1378 | 1370 | 1378 |

Vol: 175 lots. Open int'st: 3600 Index 1352 -1

**LONDON METAL EXCHANGE** Rudolf Wolff (Official) (Volume prev day)

| | Cash | 3mth | Vol |
|---|---|---|---|
| Copper Gde A ($/tonne) | 1905.0-1905.5 | 1907.0-1908.0 | 969075 |
| Lead ($/tonne) | 398.50-399.00 | 403.00-403.50 | 52275 |
| Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne) | 920.00-921.00 | 937.00-937.50 | 290775 |
| Tin ($/tonne) | 4875.0-4885.0 | 4930.0-4935.0 | 5770 |
| Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne) | 1193.0-1194.0 | 1217.0-1217.5 | 740875 |
| Nickel ($/tonne) | 4925.0-4930.0 | 4993.0-4994.0 | 34332 |

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# Wiles of Mushtaq leave Kent contemplating defeat


Ward: aggressive

By John Woodcock

*TAUNTON (second day of four): Somerset, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, require 80 runs to beat Kent*

THIS has been a good match, although already there is very little left of it. Needing 135 to win, with all the time in the world in which to get them, Somerset were 55 for one when rain stopped play last night. Kent, in other words, are staring defeat in the face.

There were three outstanding individual performances yesterday — by Richard Harden and Mushtaq Ahmed, for Somerset, and Trevor Ward, for Kent. Somerset owed their first-innings lead of 67 almost entirely to Harden, whose 121 rescued them from 34 for five. Ward responded to this by scoring 95 in 91 balls, thereby making Somerset's final target something more than a formality. In Rose's three overs alone he hit eight fours and a six.

Probably much the best therapy for Mushtaq's troublesome back is the sight of an English batsman taking guard, and now it was easy to see why. Kent could be thankful he was not brought on earlier, for from the moment he was thrown the ball, at 69 for one, they were in terminal decline. He accounted for their West Indian too, by means of a fine low return catch off Hooper's well-hit drive. It was a lovely piece of bowling, a joy to watch.

Harold Gimblett, the most dashing of all native Somerset batsmen, could hardly have played any better than Harden. Although 21 wickets have fallen in two days, there has been no shortage of rattling good strokes, many of them, of course, from Ward, but none better than some of Harden's. This was, in fact, Harden's first century of the season, but a career average of nearly 40 points to him being pretty good, and, sure enough, the combination of strength and orthodoxy is impressive. His only chance in four hours at the wicket was a technical one off Ealham, wide down the leg side to the wicketkeeper.

When Somerset lost their ninth first-innings wicket first thing yesterday they were only three runs ahead. But Harden found a partner he needed in the engaging Van Troost, who, whether batting, bowling or fielding, looks like a runaway windmill: but he needs to be taken seriously as a cricketer.

Apart from Ward, Somerset had trouble only from Fleming in Kent's second innings, though they would have been glad to be rid of Llong in view of his recent form. None of them, to be honest, made much of a fist of playing Mushtaq, and Mallender did the rest. Fleming being among those he rounded up with the help of another catch at slip by Tavaré. Somerset's other four bowlers went for 128 runs in their 19 overs.

Tavaré has accumulated a considerable record to take into retirement with him at the end of the season. He is capable of brilliant bursts of stroke-play, yet he will be remembered as a quiet, often dour, always inscrutable, generally canny, seemingly unshakable and unfailingly courageous top-order batsman. When England needed a buffer to hold back as fierce an attack as West Indies ever put into the field in 1980, they turned to Tavaré, a singular, albeit unenviable, compliment.

The captaincy of Oxford University, Kent and Somerset; almost certainly over 25,000 first-class runs (at the moment he has made 24,815); more than 400 catches (the great majority of them at slip and taken with deceptive ease); around 50 centuries (48 is the tally at present); and a clean sporting licence. Who would not be proud of that?

# Gatting fails to impose familiar style on bowlers

By Ivo Tennant

*LORD'S (second day of four): Middlesex, with two first-innings wickets in hand, are 49 runs behind Hampshire*

NOBODY would ever question Mike Gatting's capacity for county cricket, not in the way they would that of David Gower or Ian Botham. Besides, if they did, a glass panel in their door might be in danger. His innings of 84 was nothing like as pleasing to the eye as that played by Gower the previous day, but it was every bit as telling. The upshot is a match as finely balanced as could be.

Until Brown came in, Gatting did not even have a Morris who would sell his wicket dearly at the other end, as Gower had had. The pitch was exceedingly sluggish for Lord's. There was no better indication of that than Haynes taking 31 overs to make 22 — until it dawned that Gatting's last 30 runs took him 27 overs.

Only Gatting himself will know whether he is the same batsman he was two or three years ago. He averages 46 this season, more than that for Middlesex alone, which is poor only by his standards. Yet, at his peak, he would have been contemptuous of this attack, however slow the pitch, for it is as inexperienced as can be found in county cricket. For the time being, at any rate, the arrogance is missing from his batting.

Only occasionally did he look to hit the cover off the ball. There was a short-arm pull-cum-tennis-smash that took him to his half-century, reached off 83 balls, and a couple of cover drives which were as fetching as the pink string decorating his waistband. Otherwise, it was mostly grisly concentration.

As in India, Gatting played the spinners from the crease. Udal was given much to do and Flint, nagging left-arm round the wicket in the manner of Peter Sainsbury, never allowed him to dictate. He has all the right Hampshire qualifications (born in Basingstoke, same school as the late John Arlott) and ultimately trapped Gatting leg-before.

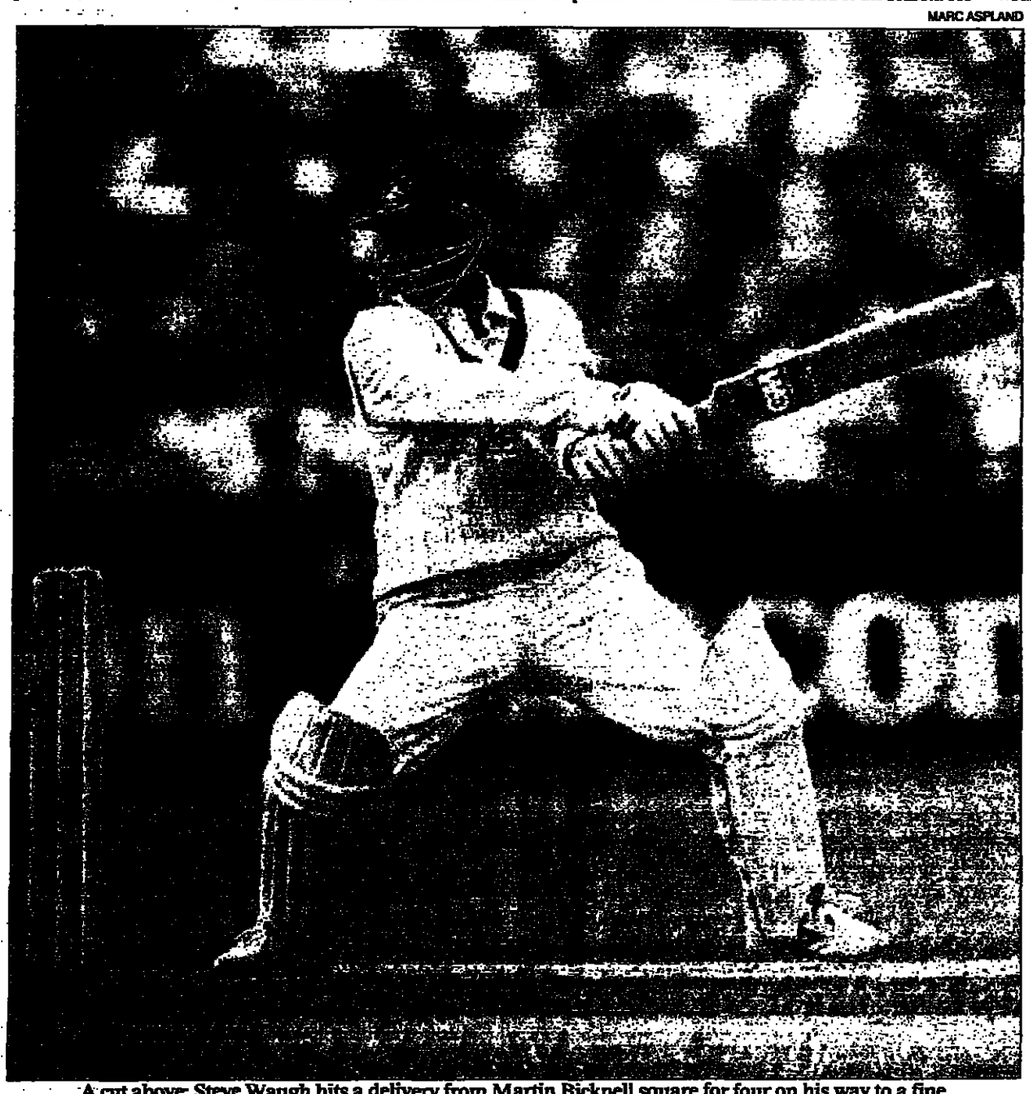
Gatting batted, in all, for 189 minutes, hitting nine fours. No batsman is ever happy to be given out leg-before, certainly not these days, and he was no exception here. He was some way down the pitch. Yet, even though there were no television cameras present as there had been at Old Trafford earlier in the summer, he avoided any obscenity that could have been spotted through lip-reading.

There was little else to distinguish Middlesex as championship leaders. Haynes had an awful swipe at Udal and skied to mid-on and Ramprakash played on to the same bowler without scoring. For the time being, he looks to have had the stuffing knocked out of him by having fallen foul of too many head beaks last year. He has shown willingness to seek advice from the likes of Mike Brearley: perhaps now it is a matter of reverting to basics in the nets.

When Brown and Emburey staged a recovery of sorts later in the day, Thursfield returned and summarily removed them both, Morris holding a particularly fine catch at slip. Thursfield had a season with Middlesex in 1990 before breaking a leg in his delivery stride on an England under-19 tour to New Zealand the following year.

Extraordinarily, he still managed to bowl a further two balls in what was a one-day match between the countries. That kind of attitude was good enough for Hampshire, who took him on when Middlesex decided they had sufficient bowlers of his medium-pace type as well as wondering, no doubt, whether he would ever make a proper recovery. He bowled sharply enough here to show them that he has.

MARC ASPLAND


A cut above: Steve Waugh hits a delivery from Martin Bicknell square for four on his way to a fine century as the Australian batsmen continued to amass runs at Headingley yesterday. Report page 32

# Bailey consolidates advantage

By Jack Bailey

*NORTHAMPTON (second day of four): Northamptonshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 215 runs ahead of Surrey*

ALTHOUGH Northamptonshire's heavy dragoons have not yet reduced Surrey to a rabble, they certainly commanded the field at the end of yesterday's phase of the drawn-out, grinding battle that is going on out there. They continued to bowl better than their opponents, establishing a first-innings lead of 49, due chiefly to the superior firepower of Ambrose and Taylor. Then Fordham and Bailey put the match almost beyond Surrey's reach.

In by far the highest partnership of the game, they added 133 in 35 overs. Surrey will be disappointed at the way they bowled, but Bailey was back to his best. He hit a six and 14 fours in his 86 before Butcher claimed him, and Fordham was an admirable second string.

Even the contribution of these two was no more significant than that of Ambrose, who could well have taken four wickets in an opening spell which yielded him only one. He found the edge and shaved the stumps so often that he almost despaired. A reward of sorts came as he helped mop up the tail, but his main contribution had been to remove Ward and sow the seeds of doubts among the rest.

Ambrose bowled Ward, with an absolute trimmer and thereafter, with the honourable exception of Butcher and Smith who shared a gritty stand of 62 in 25 overs, Surrey showed little appetite or aptitude for coaxing runs out of this pitch. Once Smith had gone, to an unworthy sweep off Roberts just before lunch, Surrey lost their last five wickets for 42. Butcher was stranded and Northamptonshire were on their way.

Butcher has so far displayed uncommon talent. Following his three wickets and stern resistance on Thursday, he continued to bat like seasoned professionals used to bat when their side was in trouble: moving into line, getting over the ball, waiting for the loose one and hitting it hard. His father, Alan, would have been proud of him.

# Morris leads batting revival at Derby

By Geoffrey Wheeler

JOHN Morris hit a century from 138 balls, Chris Adams scored an unbeaten 95 and Peter Bowler made 87 as Derbyshire yesterday seized control of their match against Sussex on a Derby pitch on which 19 wickets had fallen on the first day.

The wicket tally fell to seven — and one of those was a run out — as Derbyshire, having limited their first-innings deficit to ten, raced away to 350 for six, Morris and Bowler changing the course of the game by putting on 177 for the first wicket — Kim Barnett dropping down to No 6 due to a first-innings injury.

Warwickshire's fast bowler, Allan Donald, in his final championship match before leaving to join South Africa's tour to Sri Lanka, ripped through Leicestershire's top order at Grace Road. At 103 for six, Leicestershire still require 32 to avoid following on. They might already be doing do so had Donald, who took four for 34 in 17 overs, been better supported in the field. He had three catches dropped, two behind the wicket and one at slip.

Durham, who forced the Australians to follow-on in their previous match, might well be in a position to do the same to Essex, the champions, at Chelmsford.

After Phil Bainbridge, with an unbeaten 150 — his first century since 1990 — had carried Durham to 483, Essex, like Allan Border's side before them, ran into trouble against the left-arm pace bowling of Simon Brown, who sent back Prichard, Stephenson and Salim Malik. Mike Garnham and Derek Pringle dropped anchor however and carried Essex to 246 for five by close.

Mike Watkinson, Lancashire's acting captain, followed Thursday's century with three wickets in the afternoon session against Nottinghamshire at Old Trafford. But Paul Johnson, unusually restrained, scored an unbeaten 54, as Nottinghamshire reached 244 for four, 51 behind.

# Yachting recalls Gardini's finest moments

By Malcolm McKeag

RAUL Gardini, who committed suicide in Milan yesterday, was one of Italy's most prominent yacht racing owners, not only through his gargantuan America's Cup campaign but via the lavish maxi yacht programmes that preceded it.

His first maxi was the original Il Moro di Venezia. It was joined later by Windward Passage, which he bought in America and renamed Passage to Venice. His other yachting interests, including the one which may have exacerbated his multi-layered financial problems, lay in the large and lavish cruising craft known as "superyachts".

Gardini's 1992 America's Cup campaign was undoubtedly the most sumptuous and probably the most expensive in a game not noted for its economies. He began the campaign while still head of Ferruzzi and the boardroom coup that ousted him left him in charge of the sporting quest, but without funds.

The final cost has always been undisclosed but estimates have reached $238 million, if the purchase of ancillary high-tech businesses associated with yacht racing is included. All were picked up along the way to service the campaign's unceasing appetite for perfection; they included the British-based companies of Lewmar (winches), Sparcraft (mast makers) and SP Systems, of Cowes, makers of high technology resins.

By the time the Italians had won the right to face the American billionaire, Bill Koch, on America³ (declared budget $68.5 million), Gardini had built five more Il Moros. The Italians lost the America's Cup series 4-1.

As with so many before him, defeat served merely to refuel Gardini's determination. His dream was a European challenge and he had already retained his 1992 skipper, Paul Cayard, but his other problems were closing in and he had made it clear that neither his own money, nor that from his companies, would be available so freely this time.

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# British suffer damage

MINOR breakages and a brief man-overboard incident enlivened the racing off Cowes for One Tonners participating in the warm-up racing for the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup yesterday (Malcolm McKeag writes).

The crewman who went overboard was from the German yacht, Inshallah, but he was quickly recovered by his colleagues, who continued racing. The worst of the breakages occurred aboard GBE International, who will be the British representative next week.

In a brisk south-westerly Force 5 breeze, GBE's running backstay let go soon after the start, transferring the load to the vang and fence the boom, which broke, forcing her retirement from the second race of the day. According to the crew, GBE will race again today in the final race of this practice series.

The day was dominated by Paul Cayard, steering Pasquale Landolfi's Brava Q8. He won the first race by a yawning minute and a half from the closely matched fleet astern and was second in the next.

Brava Q8 and Cayard look conspicuously the sharpest of the Champagne Mumm Admiral's Cup One Tonners, but there is little to choose astern of Brava between Corum Diamant, of France, Pinta, of Germany, Ninja, of Australia, and Nippon, of Japan.

RESULTS: One Tonners (after four races): 1, Brava Q8 (P Landolfi and P Cayard, Farr, it), 2, Thomas I-Punkt (T Friese, Judel-Vrolijk, Ger); 3, Ninja (P Kurtz and G Bourke, Farr, Aus), 4, Corum Diamant (L Gallusseau, Jeppesson, Fr); 5, Nippon (T Yamasaki, Judel-Vrolijk, Japan). British placing: 6, GBE International (G Charles, Dubois).

# Lefebvre leaps to rescue with style

By Michael Henderson

*WORCESTER (second day of four): Worcestershire lead Glamorgan by 83 runs*

EFFERVESCENT batting in the last hour of a rain-affected day by Roland Lefebvre dug Glamorgan, at least partially, out of a hole they had prepared for themselves. After the seeds of promise sown by Dale and Maynard were scattered to the winds during an afternoon of ill-discipline, Lefebvre's maiden half century for the county enabled Glamorgan to regain some self respect.

When play resumes today, Worcestershire, who start their second innings 83 runs ahead, will soon face Lefebvre the bowler. He certainly enjoyed his less-familiar starring role yesterday, making 50 from 70 balls. Then he drove Illingworth high, through and fairly straight and watched the ball come to rest in Newport's hands just inside the rope at long off.

There was a certain justice in that dismissal. Newport, whose three wickets included that of Richards, which is always a special one, had just been picked up for six over square leg by the Dutch man. When an umpire has been unmoved by two animated shouts for lbw, as Ken Palmer was, such mistreatment by a lower-order batsman, is hard to take.

The showers, which delayed the start of play by five overs, returned frequently enough to rob the day of another forty before the skies brightened after five o'clock. Lefebvre and Metson had started the repairs by then, after an extraordinary collapse in the afternoon when Glamorgan lost five wickets in four overs for six runs. It would be nice to report they were undone by outstanding bowling. It would be fairer to suggest the batsmen found ways of getting themselves out, none more than Richards, who drove Newport to gully from the first ball back.

Chris Tolley immediately took three wickets in 11 balls and finished with championship-best figures of four for 67. Dale, whose on-driving adorned his innings of 44, was taken at short leg, Hemp nicked one to second slip where Hick, who caught it, held another to dismiss Croft in Tolley's next over. At 106 for seven Glamorgan were briefly in danger of being asked to bat again.

It all seemed remote from the morning session when Maynard, playing within himself, rarely missed an opportunity to punish the short ball. A light went out when he fell to a leg-side stumping in Illingworth's first over, and it took Lefebvre's arrival for it to flicker again. Glamorgan need not to despair. Despite a first innings deficit there remains a lot of cricket left in this match.

## YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

### Britannic Assurance county championship

#### Northamptonshire v Surrey

NORTHAMPTON *(second day of four): Northamptonshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 215 runs ahead of Surrey*

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 238 (N A Felton 68)

Second Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| A Fordham not out | 54 |
| N A Felton c Kersey b Benjamin | 3 |
| R J Bailey c Lynch b Butcher | 86 |
| A J Lamb not out | 18 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 4) | 5 |
| Total (2 wkts) | 166 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-12, 2-145.

BOWLING: Waqar Younis 12-3-30-0; Benjamin 11-4-30-1; Murphy 13-5-26-0; Butcher 12-4-42-1; Smith 5-0-33-0.

SURREY: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| D J Bicknell c Lamb b Taylor | 6 |
| P D Atkins c Ripley b Ambrose | 4 |
| *D M Ward b Ambrose | 40 |
| M Ward not out | 35 |
| M A Lynch b Taylor | 11 |
| A D Brown b Taylor | 4 |
| A W Smith lbw b Roberts | 40 |
| M A Butcher not out | 42 |
| †G J Kersey c Taylor b Bailey | 8 |
| Waqar Younis c Curran b Taylor | 6 |
| J E Benjamin lbw b Ambrose | 1 |
| A J Murphy c Ripley b Ambrose | 1 |
| Extras (b 9, lb 17) | 26 |
| Total (88.3 overs) | 189 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-9, 2-11, 3-37, 4-45, 5-85, 6-147, 7-182, 8-174, 9-179.

BOWLING: Ambrose 26.3-12-40-4; Taylor 23-9-51-4; Curran 10-3-34-0; Penberthy 14-6-22-0; Roberts 7-3-10-1; Bailey 2-0-6-1.

Bonus points: Northamptonshire 5, Surrey 4.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and R Julian.

#### Worcestershire v Glamorgan

WORCESTER *(second day of four): Worcestershire have a first-innings lead of 83 runs over Glamorgan*

WORCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 267 (D B D'Oliveira 73; S D Thomas 4-84)

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| A Dale c Curtis b Tolley | 44 |
| *H Morris c Rhodes b Newport | 13 |
| M P Maynard st Rhodes b Illingworth | 34 |
| I V A Richards c Lampitt b Newport | 7 |
| P A Cottey lbw b Newport | 4 |
| D L Hemp c Hick b Tolley | 0 |
| R D B Croft c Hick b Tolley | 7 |
| †C P Metson c and b Tolley | 9 |
| R P Lefebvre b Newport b Illingworth | 50 |
| S L Watkin c D'Oliveira b Illingworth | 14 |
| S D Thomas not out | 5 |
| Extras (lb 1, nb 2) | 3 |
| Total (61.4 overs) | 184 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-93, 3-100, 4-104, 5-104, 6-104, 7-106, 8-141, 9-175

BOWLING: Newport 19-5-55-3; Tolley 21-3-67-4; Radford 7-0-35-0, Lampitt 5-0-15-0, Hick 3-1-8-0; Illingworth 6.4-4-2-3.

Bonus points: Worcestershire 6, Glamorgan 4.

Umpires: K E Palmer and A A Jones.

#### Essex v Durham

CHELMSFORD *(second day of four): Essex, with five first-innings wickets in hand, need 87 runs to avoid the follow on against Durham*

DURHAM: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| G Fowler c Salim b Andrew | 23 |
| W Larkins c Salim b Childs | 80 |
| P W G Parker lbw b Pringle | 22 |
| S Hutton c Knight b Childs | 31 |
| P Bainbridge not out | 150 |
| I Smith c Topley b Salim | 39 |
| A C Cummins lbw b Childs | 5 |
| †C W Scott b Childs | 33 |
| P J Berry c Knight b Childs | 9 |
| *D A Graveney c Pringle b Such | 32 |
| S J E Brown c Lewis b Salim | 19 |
| Extras (b 4, lb 12, nb 24) | 40 |
| Total | 483 |

Score 120 overs: 375-9.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-67, 2-140, 3-158, 4-191, 5-258, 6-266, 7-322, 8-362, 9-423.

BOWLING: Pringle 25-7-88-1; Andrew 13-1-35-1; Topley 18-4-100-0; Stephenson 13-6-33-0; Childs 48-11-99-5; Such 17-2-68-1; Salim Malik 11.3-0-43-2.

ESSEX: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| *P J Prichard b Brown | 67 |
| J P Stephenson c Smith b Brown | 0 |
| N V Knight c Scott b Cummins | 10 |
| Salim Malik c Smith b Brown | 40 |
| J J B Lewis b Berry | 32 |
| †N A Gamham not out | 42 |
| D R Pringle not out | 19 |
| Extras (b 4, lb 3, w 3, nb 26) | 36 |
| Total (5 wkts, 71 overs) | 246 |

T D Topley, P M Such, S J W Andrew and J H Childs to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-56, 3-133, 4-148, 5-211.

BOWLING: Cummins 18-1-80-1, Brown 19-8-74-3; Berry 17-2-49-0; Graveney 9-2-25-0; Berry 17-1-49-1.

Bonus points: Essex 4, Durham 6

Umpires: P B Wight and D R Shepherd.

#### Derbyshire v Sussex

DERBY *(second day of four): Derbyshire, with four second-innings wickets in hand, are 340 runs ahead of Sussex*

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 183 (K J Barnett 73)

Second Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| P D Bowler c Moores b Giddins | 67 |
| J E Morris b Pigott | 104 |
| C J Adams not out | 86 |
| T J G O'Gorman b North | 3 |
| D G Cork b Hemmings | 11 |
| K J Barnett b Hemmings | 29 |
| K M Krikken run out | 17 |
| Extras (b 1, lb 2, w 1) | 4 |
| Total (6 wkts) | 350 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-177, 2-220, 3-227, 4-253, 5-322, 6-350

BOWLING: Stephenson 16-2-61-0, Giddins 19.5-1-81-1, North 15-1-65-1; Pigott 18-2-87-1; Hemmings 30-10-53-2.

SUSSEX: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| C W J Athey c Krikken b Warner | 12 |
| J W Hall c Adams b Cork | 2 |
| *D M Smith lbw b Cork | 5 |
| *A P Wells c Mortensen b Base | 40 |
| M P Speight c Base b Malcolm | 27 |
| J A North c Adams b Base | 2 |
| †P Moores lbw b Base | 27 |
| F D Stephenson not out | 57 |
| A C S Pigott c Mortensen b Base | 7 |
| E E Hemmings lbw b Base | 1 |
| E S H Giddins c Adams b Cork | 4 |
| Extras (lb 7, nb 2) | 9 |
| Total (57 overs) | 193 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-21, 3-23, 4-92, 5-94, 6-95, 7-156, 8-162, 9-174.

BOWLING: Cork 13-3-31-3; Warner 9-2-26-1, Base 19-5-59-5; Malcolm 8-1-47-1; Mortensen 8-0-23-0.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 4, Sussex 4.

Umpires: M J Kitchen and B J Meyer

#### Leicestershire v Warwickshire

LEICESTER *(second day of four): Leicestershire, with four first-innings wickets in hand, are 181 runs behind Warwickshire*

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 284 (K J Piper 52, D P Ostler 51)

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| T J Boon lbw b Reeve | 7 |
| *N E Briers b Donald | 0 |
| A R K Pierson c Donald b Reeve | 22 |
| J J Whitaker c Piper b Donald | 10 |
| J D R Benson c Piper b Donald | 2 |
| P E Robinson b Donald | 8 |
| L Potter not out | 24 |
| †P A Nixon not out | 15 |
| Extras (b 2, lb 7, w 2, nb 4) | 15 |
| Total (6 wkts, 60 overs) | 103 |

W K M Benjamin, G J Parsons and A D Mullally to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-7, 3-32, 4-34, 5-52, 6-54.

BOWLING: Donald 17-8-34-4; N M K Smith 10-2-20-0; Reeve 20-12-20-2; Bell 8-3-13-0; Booth 5-1-7-0

Bonus points: Leicestershire 4, Warwickshire 4.

Umpires: V A Holder and A G T Whitehead

#### Middlesex v Hampshire

LORD'S *(second day of four): Middlesex, with two first-innings wickets in hand, are 49 runs behind Hampshire*

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| R M F Cox c Brown b Williams | 4 |
| R S M Morris lbw b Feltham | 54 |
| D I Gower b Fraser | 91 |
| V P Terry b Williams | 7 |
| S D Udal c Carr b Emburey | 8 |
| K D James b Emburey | 13 |
| †A N Aymes c Carr b Tufnell | 7 |
| *M C J Nicholas b Emburey | 7 |
| M J Thursfield not out | 36 |
| C A Connor b Tufnell | 27 |
| D P J Flint lbw b Emburey | 0 |
| Extras (lb 2, lb 6, nb 18) | 26 |
| Total (118.5 overs) | 280 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-7, 2-145, 3-155, 4-176, 5-178, 6-197, 7-197, 8-216, 9-275

BOWLING: Fraser 20-4-42-1; Williams 26-6-80-2; Feltham 17-7-46-1; Emburey 39.5-13-75-4, Tufnell 16-4-29-1

MIDDLESEX: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| D L Haynes c Terry b Udal | 22 |
| M A Roseberry c Flint b Thursfield | 5 |
| *M W Gatting lbw b Flint | 84 |
| M R Ramprakash b Udal | 0 |
| J D Carr lbw b James | 15 |
| †K R Brown c Morris b Thursfield | 45 |
| J E Emburey c Aymes b Thursfield | 29 |
| M A Feltham c Aymes b Connor | 0 |
| N F Williams not out | 12 |
| A R C Fraser not out | 5 |
| Extras (lb 1, lb 11, nb 2) | 14 |
| Total (8 wkts, 101 overs) | 231 |

P C R Tufnell to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-74, 3-76, 4-109, 5-166, 6-201, 7-202, 8-216

BOWLING: Connor 21-8-50-1, Thursfield 18-10-41-3; James 15-7-25-1; Flint 21-4-47-1, Udal 26-8-55-2.

Bonus points: Middlesex 5, Hampshire 5

Umpires: G I Burgess and P Hampshire.

#### Lancashire v Nottinghamshire

OLD TRAFFORD *(second day of four): Nottinghamshire, with six first-innings wickets in hand, are 51 runs behind Lancashire*

LANCASHIRE: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| G D Mendis c Saxelby b Cairns | 32 |
| J P Crawley c Saxelby b Cairns | 28 |
| S P Tschard b Cairns | 27 |
| N J Speak b Afford | 2 |
| G D Lloyd c French b Cairns | 9 |
| *M Watkinson b Afford | 102 |
| P A J DeFreitas c Crawley b Lewis | 3 |
| †W K Hegg b Cairns | 17 |
| G Chapple lbw b Field-Buss | 19 |
| P J Martin not out | 18 |
| A A Barnett b Cairns | 10 |
| Extras (b 9, lb 1, nb 18) | 28 |
| Total (103 overs) | 295 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-76, 3-87, 4-100, 5-125, 6-132, 7-217, 8-255, 9-288.

BOWLING: Lewis 29-5-105-1; Cairns 27-9-70-6; Evans 6-1-23-0; Afford 33-13-65-2; Field-Buss 8-2-22-1

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| P R Pollard lbw b Watkinson | 65 |
| M Saxelby c and b Watkinson | 41 |
| *R T Robinson c Speak b Watkinson | 13 |
| P Johnson not out | 54 |
| M A Crawley c Hegg b DeFreitas | 24 |
| C L Cairns not out | 26 |
| Extras (b 9, lb 8, nb 4) | 21 |
| Total (4 wkts, 98 overs) | 244 |

C C Lewis, †B N French, K P Evans, M G Field-Buss and J A Afford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS. 1-108, 2-121, 3-146, 4-199.

BOWLING: DeFreitas 14-3-29-1, Martin 20-6-37-0; Chapple 16-1-25-0, Barnett 29-9-68-0; Watkinson 25-5-68-3.

Bonus points: Lancashire 2, Nottinghamshire 3

Umpires: G Sharp and R A White.

#### Somerset v Kent

TAUNTON *(second day of four): Somerset, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, need 80 runs to beat Kent*

KENT: First Innings 144 (N J Llong 56 not out, Mushtaq Ahmed 4-55)

Second Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| T R Ward c Folland b Mushtaq | 95 |
| M R Benson c Harden b Mallender | 10 |
| N R Taylor c Folland b Mushtaq | 3 |
| C L Hooper c and b Mushtaq | 7 |
| N J Llong c Rose b Mushtaq | 17 |
| G R Cowdrey b Mushtaq | 6 |
| M V Fleming c Tavare b Mallender | 32 |
| S A Marsh c Burns b Mallender | 9 |
| M A Ealham c Harden b Mushtaq | 0 |
| R P Davis lbw b Mallender | 11 |
| D W Headley not out | 1 |
| Extras (nb 8) | 8 |
| Total | 201 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-23, 2-69, 3-89, 4-134, 5-148, 6-152, 7-177, 8-186, 9-190

BOWLING: Mallender 15-6-33-4; van Troost 9-2-44-0; Rose 3-0-42-0, Mushtaq Ahmed 19-6-40-6; Kerr 6-1-28-0; Parsons 1-0-14-0

SOMERSET: First Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| A N Hayhurst lbw b Ealham | 5 |
| N A Folland c Marsh b Headley | 8 |
| R J Harden c Ealham b Headley | 121 |
| *G J Tavaré b Ealham | 0 |
| K A Parsons c Hooper b Headley | 4 |
| †N D Burns c Marsh b Headley | 5 |
| G D Rose c Hooper b Davis | 36 |
| Mushtaq Ahmed c Benson b Davis | 1 |
| J I D Kerr b Headley | 7 |
| N A Mallender lbw b Ealham | 4 |
| A P van Troost not out | 13 |
| Extras (b 4, lb 1, nb 2) | 7 |
| Total (78.2 overs) | 211 |

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-17, 3-17, 4-28, 5-34, 6-112, 7-114, 8-138, 9-147.

BOWLING: Headley 21.2-3-70-5; Ealham 15-1-49-3; Hooper 22-3-51-0; Fleming 5-1-9-0; Davis 13-6-27-2.

Second Innings

| | |
|---|---|
| A N Hayhurst c Llong b Hooper | 14 |
| N A Folland not out | 37 |
| R J Harden not out | 0 |
| Extras (lb 4) | 4 |
| Total (1 wkt) | 55 |

FALL OF WICKET: 1-55.

BOWLING: Headley 6-0-29-0; Ealham 2-0-13-0; Hooper 4.2-3-4-1, Davis 1-0-5-0.

Bonus points: Somerset 5, Kent 4

Umpires: J D Bond and B Dudleston.

## Obree takes up challenge with new attempt on one-hour mark

# Boardman powers to record

By Peter Bryan

CHRIS Boardman yesterday shattered the world one-hour unpaced cycling record set by the Scot, Graeme Obree, just six days earlier. The Olympic 4,000 metres pursuit champion covered 52.270km (32.4 miles) inside the Bordeaux vélodrome to surpass the distance achieved by Obree in Norway last Saturday by 674 metres.

But Obree immediately picked up the gauntlet, saying he planned to make yet another attempt on the record recognised as the Everest of cycling.

Boardman's achievement in the stifling heat of Bordeaux brought to an end a remarkable week for British cycling. The outcome could be a European revival of track cycling, thanks to the efforts of two amateur riders. No Briton has previously captured the "hour", which, for the last 100 years, has been largely the domain of professionals.

Both riders used indoor, 250-metre wooden tracks. Boardman increasing Obree's record of 51.596km (32.2m) by approximately 2½ laps. Unlike Obree, who designed and built his bike, Boardman introduced a French connection for his attempt, a near-conventional frame adapted to his requirements and built in France by Corima.

As Boardman slowed to a stop, so spent of reserves that he almost tumbled from his bike. Bordeaux was having one of its hottest days of the summer. The temperature was well above 70F and humidity was high.

Boardman's schedule was to exceed 53km in his 60-minute ride and although he was well clear of Obree's intermediate times, the heat finally got to him. He hit "the wall" during the last 15 minutes when his coach, Peter Keen, signalled him to ease back slightly.

When the gun brought relief to Boardman's aching legs he gasped: "But for the heat I think I could have gone further."

He may need to. Obree heard of Boardman's record on his way to Leicester for the national track championships which start today, and revealed that he had been invited to make another attempt. He refused to be drawn on the venue, saying only: "It will be somewhere in Europe."

International cycling, already flabbergasted by Obree's assault on the legendary Francesco Moser's record set outdoors at altitude in Mexico City in 1984, yesterday spilled over with praise and admiration for Boardman's performance.

The past ten days have not been easy for Boardman, who had to reschedule his ride to accommodate Obree's figures. It was not so much a lack of confidence in his physical condition but rather the need not to allow the additional mental pressure to affect him.

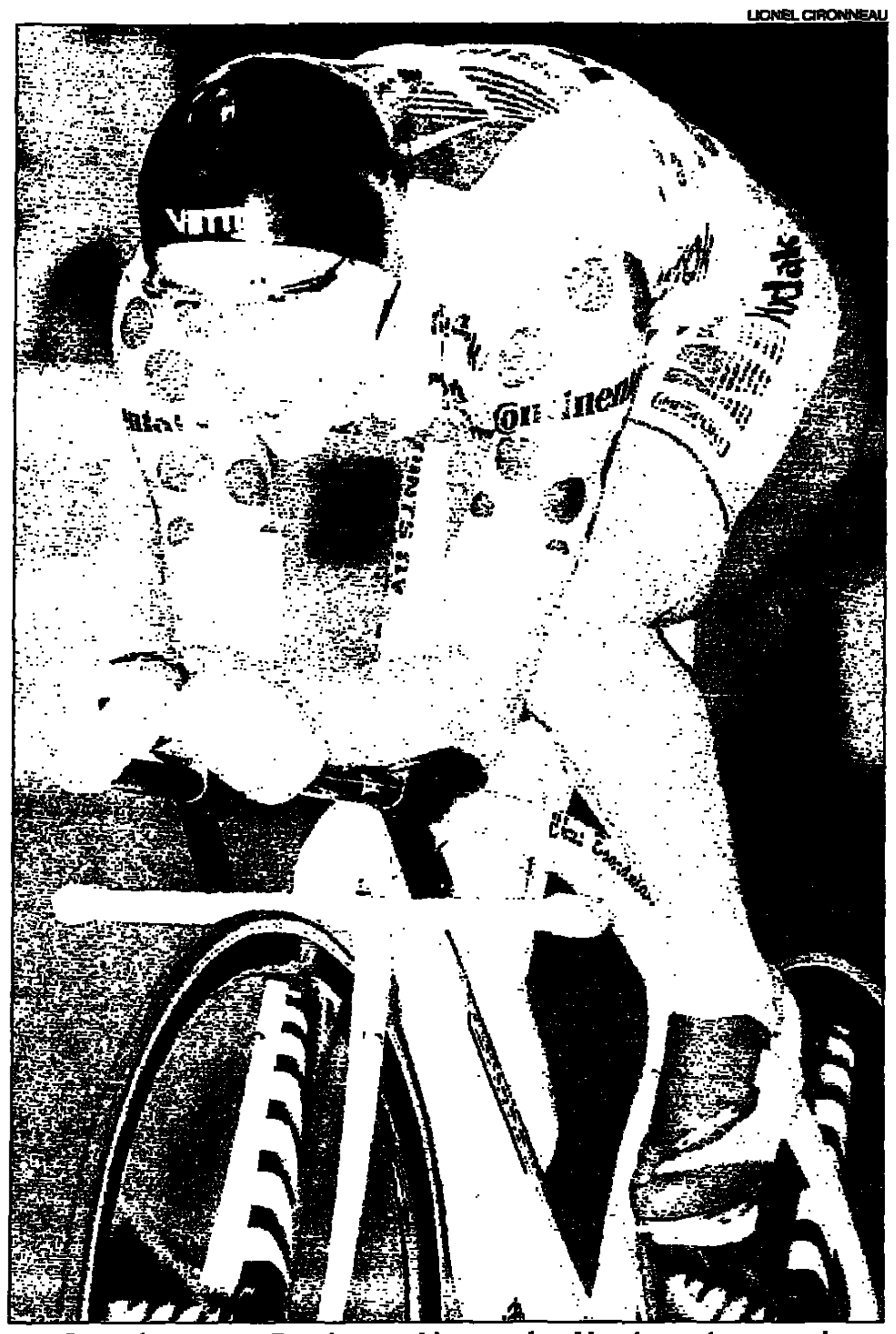
There were no outward signs in Bordeaux that it had. But soon after he finished, Boardman was not overconfident that he had put the record on the shelf for any length of time. "Miguel Induraín [who leads the Tour de France] is reported to be interested in an attempt. If he goes, I think he could smash all my marker times," said Boardman, who plans to return in the middle of next week to lead his North Wirral Velo club in the team championship at Leicester.

The 24-year-old did not get the ideal start and was initially down a second on the schedule Obree set. But by the 10km mark he had a two-second advantage which he had stretched to nearly 15 seconds 10km later. After 40km, he had 33 seconds in hand and then there was little doubt the record would go.

Bernard Hinault, the Frenchman who won the Tour de France five times, said: "I'm surprised by the distance he beat the old record. Nearly 700 metres — that's enormous. He achieved that because he is a top-class rider who prepared himself scientifically."

### HOUR RECORD

Since 1942, in kilometres
45.871 F Coppi (It), Milan 1942
46.159 J Anquetil (Fr), Milan 1956
46.393 E Baldini (It), Milan 1956
46.923 R Riviere (Fr), Milan 1957
47.346 R Riviere (Fr), Milan 1958
48.093 F Bracke (Bel), Rome 1967
48.653 O Ritter (Den), Mexico 1968
*49.431 E Merckx (Bel), Mexico 1972*
50.808 F Moser (It), Mexico 1984
51.151 F Moser (It), Mexico 1984
51.596 G Obree (GB), Hamar 1993
52.270 C Boardman (GB), B'deaux 1993



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Stooped to conquer: Boardman on his way to breaking the one-hour record

# McGann sustains American challenge

From Patricia Davies in Carmel, Indiana

MICHELLE McGann, a 23-year-old Floridian with a big smile and an even broader brim, was taking it upon herself to uphold local pride on the second day of the 48th US Women's Open at Crooked Stick yesterday.

After the first round, which ended only yesterday because 15 people were left in darkness on Thursday as rounds took five and a half hours and beyond, the Americans were relegated to the minor placings. Helen Alfredsson, of Sweden, and Ayako Okamoto, of Japan, led the championship on 68, four under par, a stroke ahead of Dawn Coe-Jones, who was born in Canada.

Alfredsson, like McGann a long hitter, had seven birdies — plus a bogey and a double bogey seven at the 11th — and reduced one of the hardest finishing stretches in golf to 13 shots. Her last four holes read birdie four, par four, birdie two, birdie three.

The Swede was a late starter yesterday and McGann took advantage of the soft breeze and sunny conditions to go out in 32, four under par, and move to six under. That left her one shot ahead of Hiromi Kobayashi and Okamoto.

McGann, who has yet to win on the US tour, is renowned for her straw hats, and she favoured a dashing white model yesterday, adorned with gold bits and amber glass. It was ritzy and glitzy but at least her golf was good enough to grab the attention, too.

FIRST ROUND LEADERS: 68: H Alfredsson (Swe), A Okamoto (Japan). 69: D Coe-Jones (Can). 70: J Geddes, A Alcott, A Read, N Lopez, M McGann, *D Koyama. 71: L Merten, J Inkster, D Andrews, C Johnson, Dina Ammaccapane, H Kobayashi (Japan), K Robbins, N Ramsbottom, N Foust, J Carner, F Descampe (Bel). 72: M Berteotti, V Goetze, J Pavon, G Graham, P Bradley, L Garbacz, D Mochrie, A Benz, B Bunkowsky, R Hellson. Other European scores: 73: L Davies (GB), P Wright (GB), T Johnson (GB) 74: S Strudwick (GB). 77: A-M Palli (Fr), K Marshall (GB), L Neumann (Swe). 78: E Dahllof (Swe).
* denotes amateur.

# Higgins drives clear as the legends battle

By Mel Webb

THE wind howled, the rain fell in torrents and the scores soared in the second round of the Seniors British Open at Royal Lytham and St Annes yesterday. At the end of it all only one man, Liam Higgins, the big-hitting Irishman, was still in credit as he returned a 71 for a total of 141, one under par, to lead the field by three strokes.

Joel Hirsch, an American who was the beaten finalist in the Amateur championship in 1981, is second after a 71, and he is a shot in front of former Ryder Cup men Brian Huggett, who had a 73, and Tommy Horton, who shot 72.

Higgins, a mere stripling of 50, had the edge over his veteran opponents because of his enormous power. On the 445-yard 14th, graveyard of many a promising round over the years, he had only 78 yards to go after a huge drive, and he hit a delightful little sand-wedge to two feet and made the putt for his third birdie of the day.

He made mincemeat of two of the course's three par fives. At the 7th, 551 yards long, he drove the ball through the fairway, hit a five-iron 15 yards beyond the flag, chipped back to four feet and made the putt, and at the 11th he managed only 300 yards off the tee. The 185 yards that were left were covered with a six-iron to 15 feet and two putts.

Higgins, who dropped shots at the 4th, 10th and 15th, has an Irishman's love of the romantic story, the sort of man who, if an angler, would never catch a trout under 15lb.

Yesterday's yarn was of the big car accident in 1977 when he claims he was second in the order of merit and in line for a Ryder Cup place with one tournament to go.

"I was doing 70 miles an hour with no seatbelt on and four horses came out of a gateway and I shot through thw windscreen," he said. "I couldn't play golf for nine months because I'd broken my ribs, and I kind of lost interest for a long time after that."

True? Almost true with a dash of exaggeration? Or just a good "crack"? Nobody could be quite sure, not even the seniors among the press corps, but it was a splendid story.

One thing is true, and that is that Higgins has played commanding golf in this tournament and, if the bit stays as firmly between his teeth, he is going to be mighty difficult to dislodge.

Meanwhile, the great names in the championship — Palmer, Player and Charles — continued to find things difficult, and if Palmer did not have enough problems in shooting a 76 to be eight shots behind Higgins, he also had the prospect of packing his bags and moving to another bedroom in his hotel.

### SCORES

LEADING SECOND ROUND SCORES (GB and Ire unless stated): 141: L Higgins, 70, 71. 144: *J Hirsch (US), 73, 71. 145: T Horton, 73, 72; B Huggett, 72, 73. 146: L Laoretti (US), 75, 71; R Charles (NZ), 73, 73; N Drew, 73, 73; W Dunk (Aus), 74, 72; R Zimmerman (US), 69, 77. 147: G Player (SA), J-M Roca (Sp), 75, 72; P Blaza, 73, 74; F Boobyer, 74, 73; W Dunk (Aus), 74, 72. 148: H Muscroft, 72, 76; J Allred (US), 73, 75. 149: H Inggs (SA), 72, 77; C O'Connor, 72, 77; *J Stahl (US), 74, 75; *G Murray, 74, 75; *M Sanger (US), 71, 78; J Dolan (US), 74, 75; A Proctor (US), 73, 76; A Palmer (US), 73, 76; J Fourie (SA), 72, 77
*denotes amateur

Many months ago, Palmer booked one of two honeymoon suites in the Clifton Hotel in Lytham, then got a letter that tugged at his heartstrings. It was from a young man called Hans Bolton, whose wedding to his fiancee, Sally Murphy, is scheduled for today.

Bolton had been shown the honeymoon suite, paid a deposit, then found to his dismay that Palmer had already booked it. Would Mr Palmer make their day and let them have the suite for the night? The soft-hearted Mr Palmer would, and duly has, for tonight. And that, be assured, is a fact.

# Obree in pursuit of victory

THE first national track championship series in Britain in which every title will be open to amateurs and professionals starts today at Leicester, with Graeme Obree, who broke the world one-hour record last weekend, heading the entry for the opening event, the 4,000 metres pursuit (Peter Bryan writes).

If he wins, the Scot will be offered a place in the world championships alongside Chris Boardman, and Sean Wallace, the silver medal-winner in the 1992 professional 5,000 metres pursuit.

The professional pairing of Tony Doyle and Spencer Wingrave should be strong enough to win the 80-kilometre madison.

Paul McHugh, after three months racing in Japan earlier this year, looks strong enough to defend his keirin title, an event in which riders are paced by a motorcycle until one-and-a-half laps from the end.

# Induráin relaxes before time trial

By Our Sports Staff

ONLY today's time-trial stage stands between Miguel Induráin and his third consecutive victory in the Tour de France. It offers his rivals almost certainly their only chance to make up the gap he has established on one of the most demanding Tours of recent years. It is a pity that Induráin is as near unbeatable in a time-trial as makes no difference.

By keeping his lead intact over the 200km eighteenth stage from Orthez to Bordeaux yesterday, Induráin negotiated what was, almost certainly, the last genuine obstacle between himself and another Tour triumph. His cushion of 4min 28sec will almost certainly grow, not decrease, in the time trial and, after his exertions in the Pyrenees, he was yesterday willing to look forward to his arrival in the French capital on Sunday.

"It was a nice, relaxing stage today before the time-trial," he said. "It was nice not to have to do any more climbing at last. I had a quiet time, while concentrating and keeping an eye on the others. The only risk was a fall. It's a real pleasure to be heading for Paris."

Induráin did allow a pack to break away from the main peloton during the stage, but none of the riders posed any threat to him. While they squabbled over the stage honours, Induráin sat back and ignored them.

Thus Djamolidine Abdoujaparov, the Uzbekistan sprinter, notched his second stage victory of the 1993 race and further tightened his grip on the green jersey for the winner of the points classification. It was not a win without its share of drama: after sprinting two bike-lengths clear in the last 100 metres, he mistimed his celebrations, raised his arms in triumph more than 30 metres from the line and then, belatedly noticing his rivals were about to pass, he frantically returned to the business in hand to earn a narrow victory.

"I thought the line was closer," he said. "I had to get back down quickly and pedal." However, with the other leading sprinters, including Mario Cipollini, of Italy, and Wilfred Nelissen, of Belgium, out of the race, he was able to recover in time.

Abdoujaparov, 29, is the only Asian to ride in the Tour de France and earned a reputation as the wildest man on a bike in his early days as a professional. The sight of him, head down and zig-zagging across the front of a mass sprint with his bike heaving crazily from side to side, has been common enough in the four years since he left his native Tashkent to pursue a professional cycling career in Italy.

But he believes his reputation is unjust: "When I see the finishing line, I think only of the shortest route to my goal," he said. "You have to be mad to be a sprinter. I'm no more dangerous than anyone else. All sprinters push and pull."

Jean-Philippe Dojwa was another winner yesterday, although he decided to swap his prize for being the first Frenchman over the line — a 1.3 tonne bull — for FFr50,000 (about £5,000).

The bull's owner begged to disagree with the decision, arguing that Dojwa would have to split the money with his teammates, who would hardly have been likely to ask for their share of the bull.

### TOUR DETAILS

RESULTS: Eighteenth stage (Orthez to Bordeaux, 200.5km) 1. D Abdoujaparov (Uzbek), 5hr 09min 4sec; 2, F Andreu (US), same time, 3, R Sorensen (Den), 4, F Maassen (Holl); 5, D-O Lauritzen (Nor), 6, S Colage (It); 7, F Simon (Fr); 8, R Aldag (Ger), 9, J Durand (Fr), 10, B Holm (Den), 11, H Frison (Bel); 12, M Ghirotto (It), 13, V Ekimov (Russ); 14, D Cassani (It), 15, C Henn (Ger); 16, D Bramati (It); 17, C Mottet (Fr), 18, S Zanatta (It), 19, P Louviot (Fr), all same time: 20, S Bauer (Can), at 11sec. British and Irish placings: 42, S Roche (Ire), Carrera, 4 52 behind, 44, R Millar (GB), TVM, 65, S Yates (GB), Motorola, both same time.

OVERALL: 1, M Induráin (Sp), Banesto, 89hr 32min 5sec, 2, A Mejia (Col), Motorola, 4min 28sec behind, 3, Z Jaskula (Pol), GB-MG, 4 42; 4, T Rominger (Switz), CLAS, 5 41, 5, B Riis (Den), Ariostea, 12 08; 6, C Chiappucci (It), Carrera, 14 19, 6, A Hampsten (US), Motorola, 14.35, 8, J Bruyneel (Bel), ONCE, 16.30, 9, P Delgado (Sp), Banesto, 19 21, 10, V Poulnikov (Uk), Carrera, 20.40, 11, A Martin (Sp), Amaya, 24:19; 12, J-P Dojwa (Fr), Festina, 25.27, 13, G Faresin (It), MOB, 25 44; 14, R Conti (It), Ariostea, 26:16; 15, O Rincon, (Col), Amaya, 26.19; 16 S Roche (Ire), Carrera, 26 37. British and Irish placings: 22, Millar, at 56.18, 91, Yates, 2 09.09

OTHER CLASSIFICATIONS: King of the Mountains: 1, Rominger, 439pts, 2, Chiappucci, 295, 3, Rincon, 266. Points: 1, Abdoujaparov, 228pts, 2, Sciandri, 131, 3, Museeuw 130

TODAY'S STAGE: individual time trial, Bretigny-sur-Orge to Monthlery, (48km). Tomorrow's stage: Monthlery to Paris

### WEEKEND'S FIXTURES

**CRICKET**

**Fourth Cornhill Test match**
Third day of five
11.0, 90 overs minimum
HEADINGLEY: England v Australia

**Britannic Assurance county championship**
Third day of four
11.0, 110 overs minimum
DERBY: Derbyshire v Sussex
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Durham
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Warwickshire
LORD'S: Middlesex v Hampshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Surrey
TAUNTON: Somerset v Kent
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Glamorgan
WOMEN: World Cup (10.45): Australia v West Indies (Tunbridge Wells); Denmark v NZ (Wellington College, Berks); England v Ireland (Reading), Holland v India (Beaconsfield)

**OTHER SPORT**

BOWLS: NatWest Bank Middleton Cup: Quarter-finals (2.0): Northamptonshire v Cumbria (at Nafferton, Yorkshire), Northumberland v Norfolk (at Nottingham), Dorset v Somerset (at Swindon), Kent v Surrey (at Worthing Pavilion).
CYCLING: National track championships (Leicester)
GOLF: British Seniors Open (Lytham St Annes).
SHOOTING: NRA Imperial meeting (Bisley)
TENNIS: Reebok Tour final (Ilkley)

**TOMORROW**

**CRICKET**

**Fourth Cornhill Test match**
Fourth day of five, 11.0, 90 overs minimum
HEADINGLEY: England v Australia

**Axa Equity & Law League**
12.0, 55 overs
DERBY: Derbyshire v Sussex
CHELMSFORD: Essex v Durham
OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Nottinghamshire
LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Warwickshire
LORD'S: Middlesex v Hampshire
NORTHAMPTON: Northamptonshire v Surrey
TAUNTON: Somerset v Kent
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Glamorgan
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP (first day of two) Truro: Cornwall v Berkshire; Leominster: Herefordshire v Shropshire; Jesmond: Northumberland v Cambridgeshire; Meir Heath: Staffordshire v Lincolnshire; Copdock CC: Suffolk v Buckinghamshire.
WOMEN: World Cup (10.45): Australia v Ireland (Roehampton); Denmark v West Indies (Beckenham); England v India (Finchampstead); Holland v New Zealand (Lindfield)

**OTHER SPORT**

ATHLETICS: British Gas Watch Games: Wales v England v Australia (Cardiff)
BOXING: British super-featherweight title: Neil Haddock (Wales) v Steve Walker (Manchester) (Oldham Leisure Centre).
CYCLING: National track championships (Leicester).
FOOTBALL: European under-18 championship: Third place play-off (1.0); Final (4.0) (Nottingham)
GOLF: British Seniors Open (Lytham St Annes)
MOTOR RACING: British touring-car championships (Knockhill)

### WARWICK

THUNDERER
6.10 Caromish. 6.40 Singer On The Roof. 7.10 *Queens Contractor*. 7.40 *Jadirah*. 8.10 *Allegan*. 8.40 Western Fleet.

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DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

**6.10 ST PAULS HANDICAP** (£2,831: 6f) (7 runners)
1 0005 PETRACO 15 (D,G,S) N Smith 5-10-0 S D Williams (3) 6
2 0410 CAROMISH 14 (D,F,G,S) M Usher 6-9-5 N Adams 2
3 4051 QUICK STEEL 7 (B,D,G,S) T McGovern 5-9-2 S Mulvey (7) 7
4 060 BLAKENEY'S DOUBLE 11 A Forbes 3-7-7 A Tucker 3
5 0000 NANQUIDNO 11 J Bennett 3-7-7 Kim McDonnell (7) 4
6 500/0 PEGGOTTY 31 P Hayward 5-7-7 A Whelan (7) 5
7 0000/ EVER SO SHARP 663 (F,G) J Smith 10-7-7 C Hawksley (7) 1
15-8 Quick Steel, 2-1 Caromish, 5-2 Petraco, 14-1 Blakeney's Double, 20-1 Nanquidno, 33-1 others.

**6.40 YARNOLDS OF STRATFORD HANDICAP**
(3-Y-O: £3,260: 7f) (10)
1 2546 PRINCELY FAVOUR 22 (S) R Hannon 9-7 S Raymont 3
2 5651 SINGER ON THE ROOF 4 (V,G) I Balding 9-5 (5ex) L Dettori 1
3 0-50 CITY ROCKET 10 P Makin 9-4 D Harrison (3) 9
4 -650 JOBIE 9 (G) W Haggas 9-1 M Hills 4
5 2506 SPECIAL ONE 10 (G) J Hills 8-13 D Holland 8
6 5000 HAWAYAH 9 (D,F) P Hodges 8-8 M Perrett 5
7 3035 DAILY SPORT DON 15 (D,S) R Hannon 8-7 A McGlone 7
8 0513 NORTH ARDAR 9 (D,F,G) M Johnston 8-3 T Williams 6
9 0-03 DANCING DIAMOND 25 C Wall 7-7 N Carlisle 10
10 -000 WOODLANDS ELECTRIC 19 (V) P Pritchard 7-7 N Adams 2
7-2 Singer On The Roof, 9-2 Special One, 5-1 Princely Favour, 6-1 North Ardar, 7-1 City Rocket, Daily Sport Don, 8-1 Hawayah, 10-1 Jobie, 14-1 others.

**7.10 WATERSIDE SELLING HANDICAP GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES**
(3-Y-O: £1,380: 1m 2f 169yd) (8)
1 0024 NIGELS PROSPECT 35 D Haydn Jones 9-7 J Williams 8
2 0600 SUMMER FLOWER 35 (B) A Forbes 9-3 S D Williams (3) 1
3 4630 SANTA STELLAR 24 (B) M Johnston 9-3 T Williams 6
4 -000 TREBLE LASS 19 B Meehan 8-13 L Dettori 7
5 5033 QUEENS CONTRACTOR 14 M Heaton-Ellis 8-13 D Holland 2
6 4500 SHALHOLME 15 P Murphy 8-10 M Hills 5
7 00-0 SWIFT REVENGE 21 M Channon 7-13 D Wright (5) 3
8 00-6 MAC TOMB 14 R Price 7-10 N Adams 4
6-4 Queens Contractor, 2-1 Santa Stellar, 5-1 Nigels Prospect, 16-1 others.

**7.40 MARY ARDEN HANDICAP**
(£2,978: 1m 2f 169yd) (14)
1 3-045 CALL THE BUREAU 12 (C,F) M Heaton-Ellis 4-9-10 D Holland 3
2 0553 CLEVER MINSTREL 24 G Harwood 3-9-7 M Perrett 14
3 0320 SWIFT SILVER 12 (D,G,S) W Musson 6-9-7 J Reid 6
4 -104 *JADIRAH 26 (F) J Dunlop 3-8-5 L Dettori 4*
5 -562 GREEN'S CASSATT 14 (F) W Brisbourne 5-9-0 R Lappin 5
6 4551 LEGAL ARTIST 15 (CD,F) N Graham 3-8-3 A McGlone 13
7 /0-6 DOSSERI 12 R O'Sullivan 5-3-3 D Biggs 12
8 4006 HOMEMAKER 8 (V,C,F,S) P Murphy 3-8-3 N Adams 7
9 060- *STEPPE CLOSER 242 Lord Huntingdon 3-8-3 D Harrison (3) 11*
10 0340 ONE MORE POUND 31 M Dixon 3-7-13 A Tucker 8
11 6000 IRISH GROOM 18 (G) J Smith 6-7-12 C Hawksley (7) 10
12 00-00 HALLOW FAIR 31 (F,G) C Horgan 8-7-9 T Williams 9
13 0045 SEA PRODIGY 10 (B) M Blanshard 4-7-8 D Wright (5) 2
14 0-60 *RARE OCCURANCE 53 M Charles 3-7-7 N Carlisle 1*
3-1 Jadirah, 9-2 Clever Minstrel, 11-2 Steppe Closer, 6-1 Swift Silver, 8-1 Legal Artist, 10-1 Call The Bureau, Green's Cassatt, 14-1 others.

**8.10 POTTERTON MYSON INTERPART CONDITIONS STAKES** (£3,451: 1m 4f 115yd) (3)
1 2250 ALLEGAN 37 (D,G,S) H Cecil 4-9-5 Pat Eddery 1
2 4-13 MACK THE KNIFE 8 (B,BF,D,F,G) W Hern 4-8-5 W R Swinburn 2
3 15 MY ROSSINI 15 (F) P Bevan 4-8-10 C Hawksley (7) 3
4-5 Mack The Knife, Evens Allegan, 66-1 My Rossini.

**8.40 STRATFORD FESTIVAL MAIDEN AUCTION GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,070: 7f) (9)
1 0 *HEIGHT OF DECORUM 11 P Cundell 9-0 J Williams 1*
2 00 MELODY DANCER 32 R Hollinshead 9-0 S Perks 8
3 PAVAKA (V) D Loder 9-0 L Dettori 5
4 RINUS MASTER D McCain 9-0 M Perrett 9
5 2 WESTERN FLEET 15 R Hannon 9-0 Pat Eddery 6
6 004 CHARLIES DREAM 25 K Burke 8-9 D Holland 7
7 6 CRISTAL SPRINGS 7 A Hamson 8-9 W R Swinburn 3
8 0 SPARKLING ROBERTA 8 M Usher 8-9 N Adams 4
9 TECHNICOLORED J Dunlop 8-9 A McGlone 2
4-5 Western Fleet, 15-8 Pavaka, 11-2 Technicolored, 16-1 Charlies Dream, 20-1 Rinus Master, Cristal Springs, 33-1 others.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS**

TRAINERS: W Hern, 6 winners from 15 runners, 40%, H Cecil, 16 from 42, 38.1%, J Dunlop, 9 from 45, 20%, J Hills, 7 from 37, 18.9%, G Harwood, 5 from 29, 17.9%, M J Heaton-Ellis, 3 from 17, 17.6%, I Balding, 7 from 49, 14.2%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 19 winners from 65 rides, 29.2%, W R Swinburn, 11 from 61, 18%; M Hills, 10 from 56, 17.9%, L Dettori, 5 from 33, 15.2%; J Reid, 7 from 55, 12.7%, J Williams 15 from 149, 10.1%

### SOUTHWELL

**TWO meetings will be held consecutively at Southwell today. Because of work on the track at Wolverhampton, its fixture has been transferred to Southwell and accounts for the first seven races. Up to and including the 5.25, the races are on turf. Southwell's own all-weather card forms the final six races, from the 6.20 onwards.**

THUNDERER
2.25 Sangare. 2.55 Hello Ireland. 3.25 Legal Conquest. 3.55 Preston Guild. 4.25 Mindomica. 4.55 Civil Law. 5.25 Apache Squaw. 6.20 Panchellita. 6.50 The Fernhill Flyer. 7.20 Roman Reel. 7.50 Pharly Dancer. 8.20 Borrowed And Blue. 8.50 Nordoora.

GOING: TURF - GOOD; ALL-WEATHER - STANDARD SIS
DRAW (BOTH MEETINGS): 6F - 7F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

**2.25 EBF GOOSEBERRY MAIDEN STAKES**
(Div I: 2-Y-O: £4,056: 6f) (9 runners)
1 0 BALI WARRIOR 100 M Bell 9-0 R Hills 7
2 8 *INSIDER TRADER 9 R Williams 9-0 A Munro 5*
3 333 STELLOSO 15 D Loder 9-0 G Carter 3
4 0 TOOGOODFORYOU 39 N Bycroft 9-0 M Wigham 1
WORLD TRAVELLER W O'Gorman 9-0 Emma O'Gorman (3) 4
5 AMIDST M Stoute 8-9 Dean McKeown 9
6 5 SANGARE 32 J Dunlop 8-9 A McGlone 8
7 SKIPTAMALOO J Harris 8-9 — 6
8 00 WIDE OUTSIDE 16 G L Moore 8-9 B Rouse 2
2-1 Sangare, 11-4 Stelloso, 4-1 Amidst, 7-1 World Traveller, 10-1 Bali Warrior, 14-1 Insider Trader, 16-1 others.

**2.55 EBF GOOSEBERRY MAIDEN STAKES**
(Div II: 2-Y-O: £4,127: 6f) (8)
1 GALAXY RAIN B McMahon 9-0 T Wall 5
2 0583 HELLABY 16 S Norton 9-0 N Connorton 1
3 0 LUNAR MISSION 86 M Tompkins 9-0 S Mulvey (7) 2
4 60 SING SONG BLUES 45 J Berry 9-0 G Carter 4
5 SUNDAY RISK J Payne 9-0 A Munro 6
6 0 TIMBER BROKER 91 D Haydn Jones 9-0 W Newnes 7
7 5 HELLO IRELAND 17 R Charlton 8-9 T Sprake 8
8 542 NORDICO PRINCESS 14 R Hollinshead 8-9 S Perks 3
2-1 Nordico Princess, 5-2 Hello Ireland, 7-2 Hellaby, 8-1 Lunar Mission, 10-1 Sing Song Blues, 14-1 others.

**3.25 TAYBERRY SELLING STAKES**
(2-Y-O: £2,070: 7f) (10)
1 00 GENERAL FAIRFAX 14 (B) M Fetherston-Godley 8-11 A Munro 8
2 0 LOVE OF THE NORTH 17 G Harwood 8-11 R Hills 4
3 525 NORTHERN BAILIWICK 11 (B,BF) M Usher 8-11 M Wigham 7
4 WARWICK WARRIOR P Haslam 8-11 Dean McKeown 1
5 00 *CELESTIAL DANCE 5 J Berry 8-6 G Carter 6*
6 000 CLASSIC MISS 12 (B) A Potts 8-6 S Webster 2
7 8050 LEGAL CONQUEST 46 C C Elsey 8-6 W Newnes 5
8 62 MISS FREEBIE 12 R Whitaker 8-6 Stephen Davies (5) 10
9 505 SEMAH'S DREAM 7 (B) A Hambly 8-6 A McGlone 3
10 8 *SPORTSGUIDE'S GIRL 23 B Meehan 8-6 B Doyle (3) 9*
11-4 Miss Freebie, 4-1 Legal Conquest, 5-1 Northern Bailiwick, 7-1 Love Of The North, 8-1 Semah's Dream, 10-1 Celestial Dance, 12-1 others.

**3.55 STRAWBERRY HANDICAP**
(3-Y-O: £3,435: 1m 2f) (7)
1 6-31 MANILA BAY 77 (D,F) M Bell 9-7 A Munro 3
2 5-60 *TICKERTY'S GIFT 17 R Hannon 9-3 B Rouse 4*
3 0023 IJAB 7 A Scott 8-11 R Hills 2
4 -116 GENERAL CHASE 24 (D,F,G) D Burchell 8-10 Stephen Davies (5) 7
5 -222 GIORDANO 15 P Evans 8-8 Dean McKeown 5
6 6212 *PRESTON GUILD 7 (D,BF,G,S) R Williams 8-7 D Biggs 1*
7 05-0 CAN CAN CHARLIE 18 M Johnston 8-1 R P Elliott 6
5-2 Preston Guild, 7-2 Manila Bay, 5-1 Can Can Charlie, 6-1 Ijab, 7-1 General Chase, 8-1 Giordano, 12-1 Tickerty's Gift.

**4.25 RASPBERRY LIMITED STAKES**
(£3,054: 6f) (6)
1 400- KIMBERLEY PARK 280 (G) D Arbuthnot 5-9-2 A Munro 5
2 1121 LAUREL QUEEN 10 (F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-2 G Carter 3
3 1242 MINDOMICA 7 (BF,F,G) W O'Gorman 4-9-2 Emma O'Gorman (3) 2
4 -205 SWINGING TICH 22 B McMahon 4-9-2 T Wall 4
5 0033 *NOBLE MEASURE 7 (B) S Bowring 3-9-1 G Strange (7) 6*
6 0223 CHILLY BREEZE 19 (D,G) M Prescott 3-8-10 K Rutter (5) 1
2-1 Laurel Queen, 5-2 Chilly Breeze, 7-2 Mindomica, 7-1 Swinging Tich, 8-1 Kimberley Park, 16-1 Noble Measure

**4.55 BLACKBERRY CLAIMING STAKES**
(£2,243: 1m 4f) (7)
1 4412 CIVIL LAW 15 (V,D,G) R Hollinshead 3-9-1 S Perks 3
2 -512 TRY N' FLY 9 (D,F) Mrs M Reveley 3-9-1 A Munro 6
3 -006 ANNABEL'S BABY 9 D Wintle 4-9-0 M Wigham 2
4 320- FORGETFUL 343 D Burchell 4-8-13 R Price 5
5 -530 KENYATTA 23 A Moore 4-8-13 B Rouse 4
6 0000 ABSOLUTLEY FOXED 16 (B) B McMahon 4-8-8 G Carter 1
7 0000 HATAAL 47 R Juckes 4-8-8 — 7
11-10 Civil Law, 6-4 Try N' Fly, 7-1 Kenyatta, 8-1 Forgetful, 14-1 Annabel's Baby, 20-1 others.

**5.25 LOGANBERRY MAIDEN HANDICAP**
(£3,106: 1m 4f) (7)
1 4225 MOUNTAIN WILLOW 8 (V) Mrs V Aconley 3-9-10 Dean McKeown 6
2 0203 ARAADH 24 H Thomson Jones 3-9-8 R Hills 2
3 2323 APACHE SQUAW 12 C Thornton 3-9-5 N Connorton 5
4 4030 SUPER BLUES 10 T Barron 6-9-0 W Newnes 7
5 -000 INVISIBLE ARMOUR 45 (B) P Haslam 4-8-7 Dale Gibson 3
6 -550 INOVAR 26 C Booth 3-8-1 — 4
7 0065 RUPPLES 12 M Chapman 6-7-7 S Wood 1
7-4 Araadh, 9-4 Apache Squaw, 3-1 Super Blues, 7-1 Mountain Willow, 14-1 Invisible Armour, 20-1 others.

**6.20 VODKA HANDICAP** (£2,448: 7f) (9 runners)
1 3303 NELLIE'S GAMBLE 8 (CD,BF,G,S) A Stringer 3-8-10 A Munro 8
2 2206 BERNSTEIN BETTE 19 (D,F,G,S) P Felgate 7-8-9 G Hind 1
3 4160 JAKE THE PAKE 10 (B,CD,G) K Burke 3-9-7 G Carter 6
4 3102 ON Y VA 14 (CD,G,S) R Williams 6-9-6 Sarah Thompson (7) 9
5 6301 RED COTTON 8 (C,G) M Stoute 3-9-4 P D'Arcy 4
6 -331 PANCHELLITA 17 (D,F,G) G L Moore 4-9-2 B Rouse 5
7 0000 NEVENTER 8 M Chapman 4-8-6 R Price 7
8 6053 FINAL OAK 14 B McMahon 3-7-13 A Mackay 2
9 0606 VERRO 8 (B,C,G,S) J Bennett 6-7-7 Dale Gibson 3
6-4 Red Cotton, 7-2 Panchellita, 5-1 On Y Va, 6-1 Bernstein Bette, 8-1 Nellie's Gamble, 10-1 Jake The Pake, 16-1 others.

**6.50 EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY PLC NOTTINGHAM SELLING STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,070: 6f) (7)
1 3262 WINDOW DISPLAY 8 (S) M Channon 9-0 S Whitworth 2
2 0662 SPORTING HEIR 7 (B) M Usher 8-11 M Wigham 5
3 1022 THE FERNHILL FLYER 10 (V,CD,G) J Berry 8-9 J Carroll 3
4 0004 BESSIE'S WILL 14 D Haydn Jones 8-6 A Mackay 1
5 64 LADY WESTBURY 10 K Burke 8-6 T Sprake 6
6 40 STORM HEIGHTS 54 M Brittain 8-6 A Munro 7
7 0006 ZORAHAYDA 26 G L Moore 8-6 B Rouse 4
2-1 The Fernhill Flyer, 3-1 Window Display, 5-1 Sporting Heir, 6-1 Zorahayda, 7-1 Lady Westbury, 10-1 Storm Heights, 20-1 Bessie's Will.

**7.20 FOLKS WHO LIVE ON THE HILL MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES** (2-Y-O: £2,070: 7f) (12)
1 A MILLION WATTS J Watts 9-0 N Connorton 10
2 23 BARBAROJA 14 Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0 K Fallon 11
3 0 BAROSKI 8 J Harris 9-0 Dean McKeown 4
4 66 FRANKLY MY DEAR 77 (B) R Boss 9-0 J Carroll 1
5 U3 HIT THE CANVAS 29 Mrs M Reveley 9-0 K Darley 12
6 4 RED TAR 28 W Muir 9-0 W Newnes 6
7 64 ROMAN REEL 28 G L Moore 9-0 B Rouse 3
8 6 SECUNDUS 7 B Meehan 9-0 B Doyle (3) 9
9 004 SONIC 11 M W Easterby 9-0 T Lucas 7
10 *AMORET M Prescott 8-9 G Duffield 8*
11 06 BOLDANDPRETTY 21 P Kelleway 8-9 M Wigham 5
12 0 CRANFIELD CHARGER 29 M W Easterby 8-9 C Dwyer 2
3-1 Hit The Canvas, 4-1 Barbaroja, 5-1 Amoret, 6-1 Roman Reel, 8-1 Frankly My Dear, 10-1 Red Tar, Secundus, 12-1 others.

**7.50 GARBOS NIGHTCLUB HANDICAP**
(£2,574: 1m 4f) (10)
1 5122 PHARLY DANCER 8 (CD,BF) W Haigh 4-9-13 Dean McKeown 1
2 1405 MR POPPLETON 24 (CD,G) R Brotherton 4-8-13 A Mackay 5
3 006 ABALENE 14 J Mackie 4-8-7 W Newnes 2
4 4333 RECORD LOVER 22 (C,G) Lord Huntingdon 3-8-6 A Munro 10
5 0401 FIRST FLING 8 (CD,G) J Scargill 4-8-5 G Hind 7
6 4512 SMART DAISY 7 (G) G L Moore 3-8-3 B Rouse 3
7 1/00 DASHING FELLOW 75 (D,F) Mrs L Piggott 5-8-3 G Milligan (7) 6
8 0000 MELTONBY 10 (C,F,G,S) E Incisa 4-7-7 Kim Tinkler 8
9 0600 GRUBBY 14 (C,G) R Hollinshead 4-7-7 A Garth (5) 4
10 0060 KRONPRINZ 7 (CD,G) M Chapman 5-7-7 S Wood 9
9-4 Pharly Dancer, 7-2 Smart Daisy, 9-2 First Fling, 6-1 Record Lover, 8-1 Mr Poppleton, 12-1 Abalene, 16-1 others.

**8.20 EAST MIDLANDS ELECTRICITY PLC RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES** (£2,070: 1m 4f) (8)
1 0/6 DESPERATE MAN 10 N Smith 4-9-7 J Carroll 2
2 300- HAVE A NIGHTCAP 136J J Harris 4-9-7 Dean McKeown 1
3 000- NICHOLAS STAR 413 R Juckes 4-9-7 T Wall 5
4 440- JURIS PRUDENCE 306 B McMahon 5-9-2 G Duffield 6
5 003 CRIMINAL RECORD 10 (V) Lord Huntingdon 3-8-9 A Munro 7
6 004 BORROWED AND BLUE 19 W Jarvis 3-8-4 N Day 3
7 -054 NORTHERN JUDY 8 R Hollinshead 3-8-4 A Garth (5) 4
8 050 *ROSE OF MEDINA 19 A Hide 3-8-4 W Newnes 8*
5-4 Borrowed And Blue, 9-4 Criminal Record, 5-1 Northern Judy, 16-1 others.

**8.50 GIN HANDICAP** (£2,343: 5f) (10)
1 -000 FOOD OF LOVE 15 (D,F,G) J Wharton 5-10-0 A Munro 9
2 3400 BOLD COUNTY 8 (D,F) M Johnston 3-9-4 Dean McKeown 5
3 0225 COVENT GARDEN GIRL 12 (D,BF,G,S) M W Easterby 3-9-1 T Lucas 1
4 0010 COBBLERS HILL 68 (D,F,G) C Barwell 4-9-0 T Lang 6
5 3001 COMET WHIRLPOOL 8 (B,CD,G) Pat Mitchell 3-8-13 J Quinn 4
6 6035 STRIP CARTOON 7 (CD,G,S) S Bowring 5-8-9 G Strange (7) 2
7 0433 CONVENIENT MOMENT 8 (D,G,S) J Berry 3-8-8 J Carroll 8
8 4500 *LAST STRAW 11 (CD,G) A Jones 5-8-3 Claire Balding (7) 7*
9 2614 NORDOORA 11 (D,F) J Harris 4-7-7 A Mackay 9
10 0600 ANDRULA MOU 11 M W Easterby 3-7-7 S Wood 10
4-1 Nordoora, 5-1 Comet Whirlpool, 6-1 Covent Garden Girl, 7-1 Strip Cartoon, 8-1 Convenient Moment, Last Straw, 10-1 Bold County, 12-1 others.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS**

TURF: Trainers: J Dunlop, 3 winners from 5 runners, 60.0%. Only qualifier. Jockeys: G Duffield, 3 from 13, 23.1%: W Ryan, 3 from 13, 23.1%. Only qualifiers.

ALL-WEATHER: Trainers: D Loder, 7 winners from 17 runners, 41.2%; J Dunlop, 8 from 35, 22.9%; T Barron, 62 from 274, 22.6%; Lord Huntingdon, 15 from 69, 21.7%; A Scott, 4 from 19, 21.1%; W Jarvis, 3 from 15, 20.0%. Jockeys: B Rouse, 6 winners from 11 rides, 54.5%; G Duffield, 42 from 264, 15.9%; N Connorton, 7 from 46, 15.2%; N Day, 17 from 115, 14.8%; G Carter, 36 from 267, 13.5%; S Perks, 14 from 104, 13.5%.

# User Friendly can reign supreme in Ascot feature

BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

WITH no French-trained horse in the line-up, this afternoon's King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes at Ascot is the midsummer championship race of Europe in name only.

*To pretend otherwise is folly* given the way cross-channel raiders, led by Zafonic, Intrepidity and Kingmambo, have seen off Britain's classic generation here this season.

The reason for the absence of Chantilly challengers is simple. As Francois Boutin commented recently, top races for three-year-olds in July are fatal if they are being prepared for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp in the autumn.

Despite their absence, the performance of French horses, or rather that of British-trained runners against them over the past two seasons, can provide a valuable clue to solving what is still a fascinating race with all but two of the ten runners having group one successes to their name.

Judged on their performances against the French, Britain's classic generation this season would appear to be inferior to last year's crop. **USER FRIENDLY**, who failed by only a neck to win the Arc last October, reinforced that trend and showed herself to be in top form when comfortably winning the well-contested group one Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud three weeks ago. Landing that race provided a launch pad to King George success for Match III (1962), *Dahlia (1974) and* Teenoso (1984).

Last year's Oaks and St Leger winner has come on considerably since that confidence-boosting victory, according to her trainer, Clive *Brittain*. Interestingly, Bill Gredley believes her filly is best when running on a right-handed track, which she encounters today.

Although the King George has historically favoured *three-year-olds, I believe User* Friendly can follow the example set by Aunt Edith (1966), Park Top (1969), Dahlia (1974) and Time Charter (1983) to become the fifth older filly to capture the race.

George Duffield, *who part*ners User Friendly, is having his first ride in the King George but, *given recent* trends, that could be an advantage. Michael Roberts (Mtoto), Michael Kinane (Belmez), Alan Munro (Generous) and Stephen Craine (St Jovite) were all having their *first ride in the race when* successful.

**Commander In Chief**, the dual Derby winner, is the obvious danger. Henry Cecil's unbeaten colt saw off the Boutin-trained Hernando at the Curragh and a strict line through Blues Traveller, whom he beat six lengths at Epsom, gives *the* son of Dancing Brave the edge over User Friendly.

*Six* out of eight dual Derby winners have successfully contested the King George but I believe there are sound reasons for believing Commander In Chief will not join the likes of Nijinsky, Shergar and Generous.

Leaving aside mixed reports about *his* recent Newmarket gallops, Commander In Chief has had five races in relatively quick succession, the last being particularly tough. *Ascot's short straight may not* suit such a strong galloping horse.

In a relatively open race, **Opera House** looks sure to run well, but may not be quite good enough. Platini should *improve on the performance* of four previous German-runners and, if the rain arrives, he could pose a threat.

**Drum Taps**, winner of the last two runnings of the Ascot Gold Cup, reserves his best for *the Berkshire course but may* lack the speed to trouble the main contenders. No Italian Derby winner has succeeded in this race and **White Muzzle** would prefer faster ground.

**Tenby** will have his support*ers despite twice letting them* down, but for those who prefer a long-shot, **Environment Friend** could run a big race now that Bill Gredley's second *string reverts to 12 furlongs.*

**Nap: ANDROMAQUE**
(2.00 Ascot)
**Next best: Sangare**
(2.25 Southwell)

ED BYRNE



Steady canter: User Friendly prepares for the main event

## Quinn to consider Hong Kong contract

RICHARD Quinn is considering a lucrative contract to ride in Hong Kong from September.

Quinn, fifth in the jockeys' table with 67 winners, said yesterday that he had been approached to join one of the colony's leading trainers, Gary Ng.

The Scot said: "The job has been offered to myself and Paul Eddery, and I've made no decision what to do."

Eddery, however, yesterday denied that he had been approached and it appears that the job is Quinn's if he wants it.

Frankie Dettori was Ng's first choice, but the Italian's licence application was turned down by the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club.

Willie Ryan then agreed terms only to have a change of mind last week, preferring instead to stay with Henry Cecil.

Quinn, who served his apprenticeship in 1981 with *Paul Cole, remains stable* jockey to the Whatcombe trainer. His big-race successes include Snurge in the 1990 St Leger and Generous in the Dewhurst Stakes the same year.

*The following* year he suffered a major setback when Cole's principal patron, Fahd Salman, signed up Alan Munro. It meant Quinn lost the ride on dual Derby winner Generous.

*Two other British jockeys* are also heading for Hong Kong later this year. Dean McKeown and Gary Carter both take up posts there.

## BIG RACE LINE-UP

**3.20 KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH DIAMOND STAKES** (Group I: £270,259: 1m 4f) (10 runners) BBC1

301 (7) 1232-11 DRUM TAPS 37 (CD,F,G,S) (Y Asakawa) Lord Huntingdon 7-9-7 L Dettori 95
(b h Dixieland Band - Lavendula Rose) (Green, white spots, blue sleeves, star on white cap)

302 (1) 653-620 ENVIRONMENT FRIEND 21 (F,G) (W Gredley) N Wright 5-9-7 Paul Eddery 94
(gr h Cozzene - Water Woo) (Yellow, black and yellow striped sleeves, red cap)

303 (8) 12-3314 JEUNE 18 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Exors of Sir Robin McAlpine) G Wragg 4-9-7 R Cochrane 90
(ch c Kalaglow - Youthful) (McAlpine tartan, gold armlets and cap)

304 (2) 231-211 OPERA HOUSE 21 (CD,F,G,S) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 5-9-7 M Roberts 97
(b h Sadler's Wells - Colorspin) (Maroon, white sleeves, maroon cap, white star)

305 (9) 1122-11 PLATINI 34 (D,F,G,S) (S Stiegenberger) B Schutz (Ger) 4-9-7 M Rimmer 98
(ch c Surumu - Prairie Darling) (Red, white emblems on body, sleeves and cap)

306 (4) 1126-41 USER FRIENDLY 20 (D,F,G,S) (W Gredley) C Brittain 4-9-4 G Duffield 97
(b f Slip Anchor - Rostova) (Yellow, black and yellow striped sleeves, white cap)

307 (5) 11111 COMMANDER IN CHIEF 27 (D,G) (K Abdulla) H Cecil 3-8-9 Pat Eddery

(b c Dancing Brave - Slightly Dangerous) (Green, pink sash and cap, white sleeves)

308 (6) 2-23001 DESERT TEAM 18 (D,F,G) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) J Bolger (Ire) 3-8-9 C Roche 90
(b c Blushing Groom - Beans Heights) (Royal blue, white chevron, blue cap, white star)

309 (3) 11-1103 TENBY 21 (F,G,S) (K Abdulla) H Cecil 3-8-9 W Carson 93
(b c Caerleon - Shining Water) (Green, pink sash, white sleeves and cap)

310 (10) 3-11111 WHITE MUZZLE 35 (CD,F,G,S) (Z Yoshida) P Chapple-Hyam 3-8-9 J Reid 92
(b c Dancing Brave - Fair Of The Furze) (Black and yellow stripes, red sleeves)

BETTING: 11-8 Commander In Chief, 11-4 User Friendly, 5-1 Opera House, 8-1 Tenby, White Muzzle, 14-1 Platini, 20-1 Drum Taps, 33-1 Desert Team, Jeune, 66-1 Environment Friend.

1992: ST JOVITE 3-8-9 S Craine (4-5 fav) J Bolger (Ire) 8 ran

## Form guide to the ten contenders

**DRUM TAPS**
Jun 17, Royal Ascot, soft, (9-2) beat Assessor (9-0) 3l (2m 4f, group I, £107,485, 10 ran).
May 9, San Siro, heavy (8-11) beat Onesomme (8-8) 7l (1m 7f, group III, £32,886, 4 ran).

**ENVIRONMENT FRIEND**
Jul 3, Sandown, good to firm: see OPERA HOUSE.
Jun 3, Epsom, good: see OPERA HOUSE.
May 15, Curragh, yielding: (8-12) 6½l 8th to George Augustus (9-01) (1m 2f, group II, £28,750, 7 ran).

**JEUNE**
Jul 6, Newmarket, good to firm: see DESERT TEAM.
Jun 18, Royal Ascot, soft: (8-9) beat Red Bishop (8-9) neck (1m 4f, group II, £56,700, 5 ran)

**OPERA HOUSE**
Jul 3, Sandown, good to firm: (9-7) beat Misil (9-7) sht-hd with TENBY (8-10) 1½l 3rd and ENVIRONMENT FRIEND (9-7) 9½l 7th (1m 2f, group I, £147,760, 8 ran)
Jun 3, Epsom, good: (9-0) beat Apple Tree (9-0) head with ENVIRONMENT FRIEND (9-0) sht-hd 3rd (promoted to 2nd) and USER FRIENDLY (8-11) 5l 4th (1m 4f, group I, £84,078, 8 ran).
May 2, Longchamp, heavy: (9-2) neck 2nd to Vert Amande (9-2) (1m 2f 110yd, group I, £59,537, 8 ran).

**PLATINI**
Jun 20, San Siro, good to firm: (9-6) beat Petit Loup (9-6) neck (1m 4f, group I, £147,932, 8 ran).
May 23, Baden-Baden, good: (9-7) beat Hondo Mondo (9-4) 4½l (1m 3f, group II, £65,306, 11 ran).

**USER FRIENDLY**
Jul 4, Saint-Cloud, good: (9-5) beat Apple Tree (9-8) 1½l (1m 4f, group I, £179,211, 8 ran)
Jun 3, Epsom, good: see OPERA HOUSE.

**COMMANDER IN CHIEF**
Jun 27, Curragh, good to yielding: (9-0) beat Hernando (9-0) ¾l with DESERT TEAM (9-00) 13¼l 8th (1m 4f, group I, £342,500, 11 ran).
Jun 2, Epsom, good: (9-0) beat Blue Judge (9-0) 3½l with TENBY (9-0) 20½l 10th and DESERT TEAM (9-0) sht-hd 11th (1m 4f, group I, £447,580, 16 ran)
May 13, York, good (9-2) beat Needle Gun (8-10) neck (1m 2f 85y, conditions race, £5,426, 4 ran).

**DESERT TEAM**
Jul 6, Newmarket, good to firm: (8-1) beat Young Buster (9-0) neck with JEUNE (9-3) 2¾l 4th (1m 4f, group II, £38,046, 7 ran)
Jun 27, Curragh, good to yielding: see COMMANDER IN CHIEF.
Jun 2, Epsom, good: see COMMANDER IN CHIEF.

**TENBY**
Jul 3, Sandown, good to firm: see OPERA HOUSE.
Jun 2, Epsom, good: see COMMANDER IN CHIEF.
May 12, York, good (9-0) beat Planetary Aspect (9-0) 3l (1m 2f 85yd, group II, £60,156, 5 ran).

**WHITE MUZZLE**
Jun 19, Royal Ascot, good to soft. (9-1) beat Right Win (9-3) neck (1m 4f, conditions race, £11,006, 3 ran).
May 30, Capannelle, good to firm: (9-2) beat Needle Gun (9-2) 5l (1m 4f, group I, £264,377, 18 ran).
Selection: COMMANDER IN CHIEF

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**THUNDERER**

2.00 Special Pageant
2.35 **GREAT DEEDS** (nap)
3.20 Commander In Chief
4.00 Innishowen
4.30 *Risk Master*
5.00 Bravura
5.30 Whitechapel

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 **NEW CAPRICORN** (nap). 3.20 Opera House. 4.00 Grand Lodge.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.35 **RED RITA**.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

**2.00 COLENSO DIAMOND CONDITIONS STAKES** BBC1
(Ladies race: £6,316: 1m rnd) (16 runners)

101 (8) 620-010 AMAZE 44 (D,S) (Lady Katharine Phillips) Lady Herries 4-10-2 Miss J Winter 92
102 (3) 460035 DON'T GIVE UP 11 (B,F) (R Collard) R Bennett 5-10-2 Miss V Haigh (3) 50
103 (9) 53010-0 FORTUNE STAR 14 (S) (J Bridger) J Bridger 4-10-2 Mrs M Bridger (3) 65
104 (4) 11/006/ LAMBOURN RAJA 809 (D,G,S) (K Todd) J O'Donoghue 7-10-2 Mrs J Wilkinson —
105 (7) 029030 MARTINOSKY 8 (F,G) (D Clark) G Bravery 7-10-2 Miss M Clark 73
106 (5) 0-16132 PUSEY STREET BOY 12 (D,F,S) (M Wilkins) J Bosley 6-10-2 Mrs S Bosley 50
107 (11) 122/00-1 THOUSLA ROCK 103 (F,S) P Chapple-Hyam 4-10-2 Mrs J Chapple-Hyam (3) 86
108 (10) 0-54130 BALLERINA BAY 10 (V,D,BF,F,G) D Thom 5-8-11 Miss Diana Jones 85
109 (16) 5100-33 ROMOOSH 18 (G) (D Burke) Pat Mitchell 4-8-11 Miss F Burke (3) 78
110 (13) 222830 CREDIT SQUEEZE 14 (F) R Johnson Houghton 3-9-8 Miss E Johnson Houghton 79
111 (6) 10-6221 NEW CAPRICORN 42 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs A Green) M Jarvis 3-9-8 Mrs G Jarvis 96
112 (14) 4-1 RIVER BOYNE 19 (F) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 3-9-8 Miss A Harwood 86
113 (1) 0-00004 DICKINS 59 (B) (Racing Thoroughbreds Plc) P McEntee 3-9-5 Miss Elaine Mills (3) 50
114 (15) 2-11 ANDROMAQUE 31 (D,G,S) (Dr C Stelling) R Charlton 3-9-3 Mrs M Cowdrey 93
115 (12) 0-60311 SILVERLOCKS 11 (D,F,G,S) (Miss B Duxbury) Miss S Hall 3-9-3 Mrs A Farrell 80
116 (2) 426640 SPECIAL PAGEANT 14 (G) (D Dobson) J Bolger (Ire) 3-9-3 Mrs L Pearce

BETTING: 9-4 Andromaque, 7-2 Special Pageant, 5-1 River Boyne, 6-1 New Capricorn, 8-1 Thousla Rock, 12-1 Amaze, 14-1 Silverlocks, 20-1 others.

1992: BADAWI 4-9-11 Mrs L Pearce (100-30 fav) J Gosden 10 ran

**FORM FOCUS**

AMAZE best recent effort when beat Cee-Jay-Ay 1l in a 10-runner handicap at Haydock (1m, soft). THOUSLA ROCK beat Powerful Edge neck in a 6-runner maiden at Warwick (7f, good). NEW CAPRICORN beat Lee Artiste 2½l in a 3-runner conditions race at Sandown (1m, good to soft). RIVER BOYNE beat Tashami 1½l in an 11-runner maiden at Leicester (1m 2f, good to firm). ANDROMAQUE beat Eloisha ¾l in a 10-runner maiden at Kempton (1m, good). SPECIAL PAGEANT 9½l 7th of 11 to Wemyss Bight in group I Irish Oaks at the Curragh (1m 4f, yielding).
Selection: NEW CAPRICORN

**2.35 PRINCESS MARGARET STAKES** BBC1
(Group III: 2-Y-O fillies: £22,464: 6f) (7 runners)

201 (1) 13 A SMOOTH ONE 9 (BF,S) (B Lalemant) R Hannon 8-8 J Reid 85
202 (5) 113 GREAT DEEDS 22 (C,D,F,S) (Dubai Racing Syndicate) M Channon 8-8 T Quinn 90
203 (3) 111 MILD REBUKE 22 (F,G,S) (P Player) D Loder 8-8 L Dettori 88
204 (7) 14 MISS AMY LOU 87 (G) (B Allen) J Berry 8-8 W Carson 70
205 (4) 1 PROPHECY 17 (F) (K Abdulla) J Gosden 8-8 Pat Eddery 85
206 (6) 32 RED RITA 18 (T Brady) P Kelleway 8-8 R Cochrane
207 (2) 1 TRICORNE 16 (D,F) (S Tindall) R Charlton 8-8 W R Swinburn 85

BETTING: 9-4 Red Rita, 11-4 Great Deeds, 7-2 Prophecy, 5-1 A Smooth One, Tricorne, 8-1 Mild Rebuke, 12-1 Miss Amy Lou.

1992: MARINA PARK 8-11 D McKeown (100-30) M Johnston 6 ran

**FORM FOCUS**

A SMOOTH ONE neck and 1l 3rd of 5 to News And Echo in a conditions race at Sandown (7f, soft). GREAT DEEDS 2¾l 3rd of 6 to Elrafa Ah in a listed race at Sandown (5f, good to firm). MILD REBUKE beat Royal Insignia 2l in a 7-runner conditions race at Beverley (5f, good to firm). MISS AMY LOU 4¾l 4th of 10 to Wajiba Riva in a conditions race here (5f, good). PROPHECY beat Redress ½l in an 11-runner maiden at Newmarket (5f, good to firm). RED RITA 1½l 2nd to Lemon Souffle in group III Cherry Hinton Stakes at Newmarket (6f, good to firm). TRICORNE beat Placitana 2½l in a 9-runner maiden at Nottingham (6f, good to firm).
Selection: RED RITA

**3.20 KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH DIAMOND STAKES** (Group I: £270,259: 1m 4f) (10 runners) BBC1

RUNNERS AND RIDERS — SEE ABOVE

**GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD**

103 (12) 0-0432 GOOD TIMES 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 B West (4) 88

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F — fell. P — pulled up. U — unseated rider. B — brought down. S — slipped up. R — refused. D — disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outing: J if jumps, F if flat. (B — blinkers. V — visor. H — hood. E — Eyeshield. C — course winner. D — distance winner. CD — course and distance winner. BF — beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F — firm, good to firm, hard. G — good. S — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

**4.00 EBF GRANVILLE MAIDEN STAKES**
(2-Y-O colts & geldings: £10,867: 6f) (7 runners)

401 (1) CEDEZ LE PASSAGE (A Richards) C Brittain 9-0 M Roberts —
402 (6) GOBSMACKED (B Haggas) W Haggas 9-0 W R Swinburn —
403 (2) GRAND LODGE (Lord Howard de Walden) W Jarvis 9-0 L Dettori —
404 (5) INNISHOWEN (C Kavanagh) R Hannon 9-0 Pat Eddery —
405 (3) MAJESTIC EAGLE (G Freyne) J Hills 9-0 M Hills —
406 (7) SOZZLED (Mrs R Heathcote) B Hills 9-0 D Holland —
407 (4) TOM MORGAN (M Welby) P Walwyn 9-0 R Cochrane —

BETTING: 5-2 Innishowen, 7-2 Sozzled, 4-1 Cedez Le Passage, 5-1 Tom Morgan, 7-1 others.

1992: RAPID SUCCESS 9-0 R Cochrane (10-1) D Elsworth 8 ran

**4.30 SANDRINGHAM RATED HANDICAP** (£9,768: 1m 2f) (7 runners)

501 (3) 1/13-324 LUPESCU 21 (D,F,G) (Lucayan Stud) D Loder 5-9-7 L Dettori 90
502 (6) 02-2102 LITTLE BEAN 14 (F,G) (Sir Philip Oppenheimer) G Wragg 4-9-7 M Hills 93
503 (5) 346-110 MUHAYAA 54 (D,G) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) A Scott 4-9-3 W R Swinburn 90
504 (2) 0-20104 RISK MASTER 35 (G) (Mrs B Sumner) C Horgan 4-8-13 D Holland 92
505 (7) 3-12 TREMOLANDO 29 (D,BF,F) (K Abdulla) R Charlton 3-8-10 Pat Eddery 94
506 (1) 01-3 TOMOS 87 (G) (S Ali) D Morley 3-8-10 M Roberts 88
507 (4) 130-356 PHARLY STORY 42 (D,F,G,S) (A Lomas) M Pipe 5-8-7 R Cochrane

BETTING: 11-4 Tremolando, 7-2 Little Bean, 4-1 Risk Master, 13-2 Muhayaa, 7-1 Lupescu, 8-1 others.

1992: KNOCK KNOCK 7-9-0 L Dettori (25-1) I Balding 12 ran

**5.00 CROCKER BULTEEL HANDICAP** (£11,940: 1m str) (17 runners)

601 (2) 332131 EN ATTENDANT 16 (D,F,G) (Mrs B Newton) B Hanbury 5-9-10 J Reid
602 (8) 5-56200 BAND ON THE RUN 16 (B,C,D,F,G,S) (D Allen) B McMahon 6-9-8 T Quinn 91
603 (12) 1/01-03 DAWNING STREET 82 (D,BF,G) (Windflower Holdings) J Dunlop 5-9-4 Pat Eddery 94
604 (16) 00-1455 TISSISAT 30 (D,F,G) (The Queen) I Balding 4-9-2 L Dettori 94
605 (15) 4-14162 RIBHI 21 (D,BF,F) (H Al-Maktoum) D Morley 3-9-1 W Carson 90
606 (13) 1010-00 PERFAY 72 (D,G,S) (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) A Stewart 5-8-12 R Cochrane —
607 (3) 61125-0 LAP OF LUXURY 22 (D,F,G) (I Hill-Wood) W Jarvis 4-8-10 N Day 91
608 (7) 03/46-02 BRAVURA 18 (W Jenks) W Haggas 4-8-9 W R Swinburn 97
609 (14) 404104 WAINWRIGHT 8 (D,F) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 4-8-6 M Roberts 94
610 (17) 1-21105 JADE VALE 18 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs S Bosher) J Hills 4-8-5 M Hills 97
611 (9) 125-313 PENNY DROPS 17 (D,G,S) (S J Sharp) Lord Huntingdon 4-8-3 D Harrison (3) 95
612 (10) 110580 LEIF THE LUCKY 37 (D,G,S) (Miss B Duxbury) Miss S Hall 4-8-3 J Williams 97
613 (4) 030005 DOUBLE FLUTTER 7 (F) (J Mitchell) M Channon 4-8-3 C Rutter 96
614 (5) 000-325 MARINE DIVER 28 (D,F,G) (Merthyr Tydfil Cars) B Millman 7-8-2 Paul Eddery 96
615 (1) 000222 GOOGLY 36 (BF,G,S) (A Lansley) W Wightman 4-7-12 G Bardwell 97
616 (11) 004321 LORD OBERON 7 (V,D,F,G) (Mrs A Quinn) J Akehurst 5-7-8 J Quinn 97
617 (6) 00-6035 LOUISVILLE BELLE 49 (G) (Mrs M Pearson) M Usher 4-7-7 R Street 90

Long handicap: Louisville Belle 7-4.

BETTING: 11-2 Lord Oberon, 8-1 Tissisat, 10-1 Ribhi, 12-1 Bravura, En Attendant, Jade Vale, Penny Drops, Wainwright, 14-1 Lap Of Luxury, 16-1 Googly, Leif The Lucky, Marine Diver, 20-1 others.

1992: COLOUR SERGEANT 4-9-3 W R Swinburn (9-2) Lord Huntingdon 9 ran

**5.30 BLACKNEST HANDICAP** (£7,505: 1m 4f) (7 runners)

1 (5) 1305-02 FLIGHT LIEUTENANT 7 (G) (P & S Lever Partners) R Hannon 4-10-0 J Reid 94
2 (6) 10/1-103 PHARAMINEUX 29 (D,BF,F,G) (N Rotenam) R Akehurst 7-9-10 T Quinn 93
3 (7) 4-221 NASSMA 17 (G) J Fanshawe 3-9-6 M Roberts 96
4 (1) 54350-0 WHITECHAPEL 38 (CD,G,S) (The Queen) Lord Huntingdon 5-9-4 W R Swinburn 93
5 (2) 406126 BOOKCASE 12 (D,F,G,S) (Adept Ltd) D Elsworth 6-9-2 J Williams 96
6 (4) 531-0 BABALINO 17 (F) (K Abdulla) R Charlton 3-8-12 Pat Eddery 88
7 (3) 00-0122 GENERAL MOUKTAR 30 (BF,G) (A Helalsol) M Pipe 3-7-13 W Carson

BETTING: 9-1 Nassma, 7-2 Flight Lieutenant, 4-1 General Mouktar, 5-1 Pharamineux, 11-2 others.

1992: LIBK 4-9-5 R Hills (15-2) H Thomson Jones 9 ran

**COURSE SPECIALISTS**

| TRAINERS | Wins | Rns | % | JOCKEYS | Winners | Rides | % |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| H Cecil | 25 | 97 | 25.8 | Pat Eddery | 49 | 228 | 21.5 |
| Lord Huntingdon | 14 | 69 | 20.3 | D Harrison | 5 | 34 | 14.7 |
| J Gosden | 16 | 85 | 18.8 | L Dettori | 25 | 179 | 14.0 |
| G Wragg | 11 | 62 | 17.7 | W R Swinburn | 21 | 159 | 13.2 |
| R Charlton | 5 | 29 | 17.2 | W Carson | 28 | 224 | 12.5 |
| M Stoute | 21 | 142 | 14.8 | R Cochrane | 14 | 135 | 10.4 |

## TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

**ASCOT**
**BBC1**

2.00: As usual, few runners have a realistic chance in this race. Thousla Rock has been *gelded since showing much* improved form on his debut at Warwick in April, and should go well with Jane Chapple-Hyam in the saddle. New Capricorn has useful handicap and listed form, but *Andromaque*, trained by Roger Charlton, gets the vote. She is well drawn, ridden by the best jockey in the race, Maxine Cowdrey, and is improving.

2.35: Mild Rebuke, trained by the in-form David Loder, won her last race most impressively but in a slow time. Red Rita boasts the best public form but Paul Kelleway's runners often flatter to deceive in the top races and I prefer **Prophecy**. A daughter of Warning, whose *first crop are doing so well this* season, she quickened nicely to win on her debut at Newmarket and is sure to improve, especially over this longer trip.

3.20: see above.

RICHARD EVANS

**RACING NEXT WEEK**

MONDAY: Lingfield Park, Newcastle, †Windsor, †Southwell.
TUESDAY: Goodwood, Beverley.
WEDNESDAY: Goodwood, Catterick Bridge, Southwell, †Epsom, †Leicester.
THURSDAY: Goodwood, Yarmouth, †Hamilton Park, †Salisbury.
FRIDAY: Goodwood, Thirsk, †Edinburgh, †Newmarket, Bangor.
SATURDAY: Goodwood, Newmarket, Thirsk, †Windsor, Market Rasen, Newton Abbot.
Flat meetings in bold
† denotes evening meeting

## AYR

**THUNDERER**
2.10 Make A Note. 2.40 Murray's Mazda. 3.10 Densben. 3.40 Sooty Tern. 4.10 Alpha Helix. 4.40 Briggsmaid.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS
DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

**2.10 EBF CAMBUSDOON MAIDEN STAKES**
(2-Y-O: £3,881: 7f) (7 runners)

1 6546 BLASTER BATES 9 N Bycroft 9-0 Alex Greaves 6
2 24 MAKE A NOTE 42 R Hannon 9-0 K Darley 3
3 MAURANGI B Murray 9-0 J Fortune 7
4 00 MOLLINSBURN 14 T Craig 9-0 N Varley (7) 5
5 604 CHILTERN SHOW 7 A Bailey 8-9 A Mackay 4
6 0 ONE WILD OAT 21 M Stoute 8-9 K Fallon 2
7 5 RACING BRENDA 9 B Morgan 8-9 L Charnock 1

8-11 Make A Note, 7-2 Racing Brenda, 5-1 One Wild Oat, 11-2 Blaster Bates, 7-1 Chiltern Show, 12-1 others.

**2.40 STAR FORM CLAIMING STAKES**
(£2,575: 6f) (8)

1 0006 DRUM SERGEANT 5 (B,D,F,S) J Parkes 6-9-12 J Weaver (3) 4
2 2221 MURRAY'S MAZDA 8 (D,F,G,S) J Berry 4-9-8 P Roberts (7) 7
3 3433 AYR RAIDER 2 (V,D,F,G) Miss L Perratt 6-9-2 J Fortune 3
4 0604 PLUM FIRST 8 (B,D,F,S) N Bycroft 3-9-2 S Maloney (3) 2
5 0433 ANGELS ANSWER 4 (S) Mrs M Reveley 4-8-13 K Darley 8
6 5606 BOY MARTIN 26 (D,F,G) S Kettlewell 4-8-12 M Proctor (7) 1
7 1646 PRINCIPAL PLAYER 12 (V,C,S) P Monteith 3-8-12 A Mackay 5
8 06 RYDAL WATER 21 M Johnston 3-8-4 NON-RUNNER 6

9-4 Drum Sergeant, 3-1 Plum First, 9-2 Ayr Raider, Principal Player, 6-1 Boy Martin, 8-1 Angels Answer, 12-1 others.

**3.10 BRIDGESTONE/FIRESTONE HANDICAP**
(£3,468: 6f) (7)

1 6002 DENSBEN 6 (BF,CD,F,G,S) Denys Smith 9-10-0 K Fallon 1
2 1201 VELOCE 5 (C,F,G) A Bailey 5-9-13 (7ex) A Mackay 3
3 3011 GONDO 5 (V,C,D,F,G,S) E Alston 6-9-11 (7ex) S Knott (7) 2
4 0105 DIET 2 (V,CD,F,G,S) Miss L Perratt 7-9-0 R Havlin (7) 6
5 1106 SLADES HILL 8 (CD,F,G,S) T Barron 6-8-12 J Fortune 4
6 6140 MASTER POKEY 14 (CD,F,G,S) M W Easterby 9-8-12 K Darley 7
7 5402 BEST EFFORT 2 (D,F,S) M Naughton 7-8-0 G Hind 5

9-4 Gondo, 11-4 Veloce, 3-1 Densben, 4-1 Master Pokey, 6-1 others.

**3.40 DAILY STAR HANDICAP** (£2,853: 1m) (9)

1 1416 MENTALASANYTHIN 2 (CD,G,S) A Bailey 4-10-0 A Mackay 8
2 0065 MAJAL 7 (F) J Wainwright 4-9-0 L Charnock 6
3 3036 DREAM CARRIER 9 (F,G) T Barron 5-8-11 V Halliday (7) 7
4 1020 PRINCESS OF ORANGE 14 (D,S) W Brisbourne 4-8-11 N Varley (7) 4
5 3122 SOOTY TERN 8 (BF,D,F,G) J Bradley 6-8-8 J Weaver (3) 5
6 0401 SHANNON EXPRESS 19 (D,F,G,S) E Alston 6-8-8 Julie Bowker 3
7 5222 MASTER OF THE HOUSE 8 M Hammond 7-8-7 J Marshall (7) 1
8 -506 DOCTOR ROY 7 (D,F) N Bycroft 5-8-5 Alex Greaves 2
9 6360 HAND ON HEART 5 (V,D,F,G) P Monteith 4-8-3 S Maloney (3) 9

11-4 Sooty Tern, 7-2 Shannon Express, 5-1 Dream Carrier, Princess Of Orange, 13-2 Majal, Mentalasanythin, 8-1 Master Of The House, 12-1 others.

**4.10 AILSA CRAIG SELLING HANDICAP**
(£2,623: 1m 7f 16yd) (9)

1 0/402 SAN PIER NICETO 19 (V,F,G) M Hammond 6-9-10 J Marshall (7) 8
2 6310 LORD ADVOCATE 12 (V,D,F,G) T Craig 5-9-7 N Varley (7) 1
3 0332 REEL OF TULLOCH 12 (G) P Haslam 4-9-6 K Darley 5
4 0334 PIE HATCH 5 (B,BF,F,G) M Prescott 4-9-3 G Hind 8
5 0131 DANCING DAYS 12 (V,D,F,G) J Parkes 7-9-2 J Weaver (3) 7
6 2245 CHALLENGER ROW 26 C Thornton 3-8-12 S Maloney (3) 3
7 3444 GREY COMMANDER 17 (G) M Brittain 5-8-7 A Mackay 4
8 5353 ALPHA HELIX 4 (V,C,D,F,G,S) Miss L Perratt 10-8-5 J Fortune 9
9 4540 NANCY 23 (B) W Elsey 3-8-4 L Charnock 2

5-2 Dancing Days, 4-1 San Pier Niceto, 5-1 Reel Of Tulloch, 11-1 others.

**4.40 SCOTTISH RACING CLUB SCOTS WHA'HAE HANDICAP** (Amateurs: £2,787: 1m 5f 13yd) (8)

1 2516 TRUBEN 5 (F,G) Miss L Perratt 4-11-7 Miss L Perratt 3
2 4023 SWORD MASTER 10 (BF,G) Bob Jones 4-11-5 Miss D J Jones 8
3 1/130 MERRY NUTKIN 28 (D,F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 7-11-5 M Buckley 4
4 -101 GREY POWER 58 (F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 6-10-12 S Swiers 5
5 0526 LEGION OF HONOUR 30 (F,G) M Naughton 5-10-10 Miss P Robson 6
6 2023 BRIGGSMAID 2 (CD,F,G) J Eustace 5-9-12 J Rees 7
7 -483 DOMINANT SERENADE 16 M Hammond 4-9-7 C Bonner 2
8 30-4 HOD-MOD 7 A Bailey 3-9-2 Miss S Chittenden 1

5-2 Grey Power, 3-1 Sword Master, 4-1 Dominant Serenade, 5-1 others.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS**

TRAINERS: P Haslam, 4 wins from 13 runs, 30.8%; T Barron, 8 from 44, 18.2%; E Alston, 4 from 25, 16%; J Berry, 29 from 202, 14.4%; Mrs M Reveley, 7 from 49, 14.3%; M W Easterby, 6 from 42, 14.3%.
JOCKEYS: J Marshall, 3 from 13, 23.1%; K Darley, 32 from 189, 16.9%; J Fortune, 8 from 57, 14%; K Fallon, 13 from 120, 10.8%; S Maloney, 6 from 59, 10.2%; A Mackay, 8 from 79, 10.1%.

## NEWCASTLE

**THUNDERER**
2.15 Royal Girl. 2.45 Queenbird. 3.15 Ned's Bonanza. 3.45 Lady Sheriff. 4.15 Mecklenburg. 4.45 Wellington Rock.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS
DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

**2.15 RENACARE JACKIE MILBURN MEMORIAL APPRENTICE HANDICAP** (£2,444: 7f) (7 runners)

1 5122 TAJDIF 17 (D,BF,F,G) D Morley 3-10-0 J Tate 2
2 50-3 GENTLE HERO 10 (D,F,G,S) M Naughton 7-9-8 I Jardine (7) 7
3 4415 SPANISH VERDICT 8 (D,F,S) Denys Smith 6-9-7 C Teague (5) 4
4 2046 BLUE GRIT 8 (D,F,G,S) M Dods 7-9-7 A Procter 1
5 0411 ROYAL GIRL 17 (D,F,G) Miss S Hall 6-9-3 T G McLaughlin 6
6 6121 PENNY BANGER 14 (D,G) M Johnston 3-8-7 D McCabe 5
7 0536 CHANTRY BELLINI 8 (B,D,G) C Thornton 4-7-13 O Wright 3

9-4 Royal Girl, 5-2 Tajdif, 9-2 Penny Banger, 6-1 Chantry Bellini, 7-1 others.

**2.45 FRESENIUS FILLIES CONDITIONS STAKES**
(2-Y-O fillies: £3,525: 7f) (4)

1 1215 QUEENBIRD 38 (S) H Cecil 9-5 W Ryan 1
2 104 NSX 21 (G) Miss G Kelleway 8-13 P Robinson 4
3 15 OUBECK BLUE 9 (D,F) E Weymes 8-13 M Tebbutt 2
4 0122 STAR SPEEDER 12 (S) G Lewis 8-9 D Wright (5) 3

4-6 Queenbird, 11-4 Star Speeder, 4-1 Oubeck Blue, 6-1 Nsx.

**3.15 RAMBLING RIVER HANDICAP**
(£7,505: 5f) (13)

1 6100 EAGER DEVA 7 (D,F,G) R Hollinshead 6-10-0 W Ryan 9
2 0601 CATHERINES WELL 8 (C,D,F,G,S) M W Easterby 10-9-8 T Lucas 3
3 30/2 SHE'S SMART 10 (D,F) M H Easterby 5-9-7 M Birch 5
4 20-4 NIFTY FIFTY 92 (D,F,S) J Berry 4-9-2 J Carroll 8
5 2010 NED'S BONANZA 15 (D,BF,F) M Dods 4-9-1 J Lowe 11
6 6500 LOVE RETURNED 10 (D,F,G,S) W Jarvis 6-8-13 M Tebbutt 12
7 4143 EWALD 12 (D,BF,F,G) M Johnston 5-8-11 T Williams 10
8 3651 BALLAD DANCER 3 (D,F,G,S) P Calver 8-8-7 (7ex) J Fanning 7
9 0012 ABSOLUTION 5 (CD,F,G,S) M Naughton 9-8-6 M Fenton (3) 2
10 0060 SINGING STAR 15 (D,F) J Balding 7-8-6 Claire Balding (7) 1
11 0046 PALLIUM 7 (D,F,G) M Naughton 5-8-5 A Culhane 6
12 0065 HERE COMES A STAR 21 (D,F) J Carr 5-8-3 A Clark 13
13 0523 SIR TASKER 10 (D,BF,F,G) J Harris 5-7-12 P Robinson 4

7-2 Catherines Well, 4-1 Ned's Bonanza, 11-2 She's Smart, 6-1 Ewald, 8-1 Absolution, Ballad Dancer, 10-1 Love Returned, 14-1 others.

**3.45 FASTNET CLAIMING STAKES**
(2-Y-O: £2,364: 5f) (10)

1 3225 LUCIUS LOCKET 9 (B,BF) J Berry 8-11 J Carroll 3
2 SECONDS AWAY A Harrison 8-11 J Fanning 2
3 512 LADY SHERIFF 12 (D,F) M W Easterby 8-10 T Lucas 4
4 3005 DANGEROUS SHADOW 8 Mrs M Reveley 8-4 Darren Moffatt (5) 8
5 2 HICKLETON LADY 17 Mrs M Reveley 8-4 W Ryan 9
6 8463 DOCKYARD DORA 12 (B) M Brittain 8-2 P Robinson 10
7 6623 RED GRIT 26 (V) M Dods 8-2 J Lowe 7
8 REGINA ALICIA M Johnston 8-2 T Williams 1
9 540 TILOUHILLE ROSE 70 M W Easterby 8-0 C Munday (7) 6
10 0005 SPORT RACING CLUB 14 (B) Miss G Kelleway 7-10 D McCabe (5) 5

11-4 Lady Sheriff, 7-2 Hickleton Lady, 4-1 Dockyard Dora, 11-2 others.

**4.15 1993 GREAT NORTH BRITISH TRANSPLANT GAMES HANDICAP** (£4,160: 1m 2f 32yd) (6)

1 115- ARAK 376 (D,F) R Whitaker 5-9-10 A Culhane 5
2 4100 MECKLENBURG 16 (D,G) H Cecil 3-8-9 W Ryan 1
3 -000 HEATHYARDS BOY 46 (S) R Hollinshead 3-9-5 M Tebbutt 2
4 4203 SOUL EMPEROR 23 (S) M Bell 3-8-13 M Fenton (3) 4
5 0060 MIDDLEHAM CASTLE 10 M Johnston 4-8-1 T Williams 3
6 -003 FOREST STAR 12 (V) Miss G Kelleway 4-7-9 J Lowe 6

6-4 Mecklenburg, 11-4 Soul Emperor, 7-2 Arak, 7-1 Heathyards Boy, 8-1 others.

**4.45 ROTHMANS ROYALS NORTH SOUTH CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP** (£3,687: 1m) (10)

1 15-6 WELLINGTON ROCK 85 (D,F) J Toller 4-9-12 P Robinson 9
2 5504 JALMUSIQUE 7 (D,F) M H Easterby 7-9-9 M Birch 10
3 3912 IMPERIAL BID 12 (F,G) Denys Smith 5-9-3 A Clark 8
4 1332 SOBERING THOUGHTS 14 (F,G) J Eyre 7-9-1 O Pears (5) 3
5 1504 HABETA 19 (B,CD,F,G) J Watts 7-8-10 J Lowe 5
6 2121 PRIDE OF PENDLE 12 (CD,F,G,S) P Calver 4-8-8 W Ryan 4
7 1634 INDERAPUTERI 11 (F) Miss G Kelleway 3-8-6 D McCabe (5) 2
8 3104 MOHICAN BRAVE 22 (D,G) Jimmy Fitzgerald 3-8-4 A Culhane 1
9 60-0 MBULWA 15 (C,D,F,G) S Kettlewell 7-8-1 J Tate (5) 7
10 /00- AVISHAYES 255J (C,D,F) Mrs M Reveley 6-7-13 J Fanning 6

3-1 Sobering Thoughts, 4-1 Imperial Bid, 9-2 Jalmusique, 11-2 Habeta, 6-1 Wellington Rock, 7-1 Pride Of Pendle, 12-1 Mohican Brave, 16-1 others.

**COURSE SPECIALISTS**

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 12 winners from 29 runners, 41.4%; W Jarvis, 4 from 17, 23.5%; M Bell, 4 from 20, 20.0%; J Berry, 20 from 109, 18.3%; D Morley, 6 from 33, 18.2%; J Watts, 12 from 67, 17.9%.
JOCKEYS: M Tebbutt, 4 winners from 13 rides, 30.8%; W Ryan, 9 from 47, 19.1%; J Carroll, 18 from 109, 16.5%; M Birch, 20 from 132, 15.2%. Only qualifiers.

## RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S MEETINGS

### Ascot

Going: good

2.00 (1m 2f) 1, PETER QUINCE (W Ryan, 10-1); 2, Lacotte (M Roberts, 8-13 fav); 3, Tree Of Life (R Cochrane, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 8 Prime Of Life, Al Katinyah, 16 Cambara, 25 Keston Pond (4th), Meavy (6th), Parango, 33 Awestrike (5th), Impeccable Taste, Royal Ballet, Intention, Riz Biz, Village Green. 15 ran. NR: Danish Fort. 3l, 4l, 3l, 5l, 3l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £10.90: £2.50, £1.30, £1.60. DF: £11.90. Trio: £25.00. CSF: £17.39. 2min 6.94sec.

2.30 (5f) 1, REGAL CHIMES (L Dettori, 9-1); 2, Ashtina (J Quinn, 100-30); 3, Sabre Rattler (W Carson, 9-1). ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Miss Vaxette, 9 Cantoris (4th), Running Glimpse (6th), Tenders, 16 Beau Venture (5th), 25 Bit Of A Lark, 33 Born To Be, Bells Of Longwick. 11 ran. ½l, 2¼l, 1½l, sh hd, hd. B McMahon at Tamworth. Tote: £10.30: £3.20, £1.60, £1.90. DF: £23.50. Trio: £33.20. CSF: £36.26. Tricast: £250.04. 1min 0.93sec.

3.00 (6f) 1, GLATISANT (M Hills, 10-11 fav); 2, Blue Siren (R Cochrane, 7-1); 3, Leopardess (M Roberts, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 7 Takreem (4th), 15-2 Super Goddess (5th), 10 Pizzazz, 14 Cadenabbia (6th), 20 Rosy Lydgate. 8 ran. 5l, 1½l, hd, 7l, 1l. G Wragg at Newmarket. Tote: £1.90: £1.10, £1.50, £3.00. DF: £4.90. Trio: £20.20. Trio £94.40. CSF: £7.71. 1min 16.64sec.

3.30 (2m 45yd) 1, BOLD RESOLUTION (M Roberts, 5-1 fav); 2, Requested (M Perrett, 16-1); 3, Chakalak (D Harrison, 13-2). ALSO RAN: 6 Free Mover, 7 Asian Punter (4th), Doyce (6th), 8 Chucklestone (5th), Star Quest, 12 Amazon Express, 14 Kadastrof, 16 Elaine Tully, 33 Child Star. 12 ran. NR: Dime Bag. 3l, nk, 4l, 1½l, 3½l. C Cyzer at Horsham. Tote: £5.30: £1.90, £3.50, £2.30. CSF: £72.79. Tricast: £481.28. 3min 33.55sec. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

4.05 (7f) 1, IONIO (B Marcus, 10-1); 2, Southern Power (L Dettori, 6-5 fav); 3, Fitzroyian (M Roberts, 15-8). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Muwafik (6th), 20 Hobart (4th). 5 ran. 2l, 3½l, 6l, 4l. C Brittain at Newmarket. Tote: £11.80: £3.10, £1.40. DF: £10.60. CSF: £21.35. 1min 30.25sec.

4.35 (1m) 1, RAPID SUCCESS (A Procter, 8-1); 2, Kassbaan (J Tate, 7-1); 3, Lady Lacey (N Varley, 9-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 7 Danny Boy, 8 Proud Brigadier (5th), 9 Old Comrades (6th), 12 Noble Pet, Little Rousillon, 16 Rosa Elegance, 20 Garth, 25 Salbus, 33 Mon Petitnamour (4th), Zamansyn. 13 ran. Hd, hd, 4l, 1½l, 1½l. D Elsworth at Whitsbury. Tote: £7.30: £2.90, £3.20, £1.60. DF: £35.10. Trio: £44.40. CSF: £46.52. Tricast: £113.57. 1min 43.50sec.

5.10 (1m 2f) 1, MOSCOW SEA (M Roberts, 7-1); 2, Brandonhurst (L Dettori, 8-1); 3, George Dillingham (Paul Eddery, 11-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Mioyan Blue, 11-2 Well Suited, 11 Dixieland Melody, 12 Kimberley Boy (5th), Nuryandra, 14 Nafuth (4th), Frogmarch, Beaumont, 16 Ajalan (6th), 25 Forever Shineing, 33 Rakis, Pair Of Jacks. 15 ran. NR: Weaver Bird. Nk, 3l, 1½l, hd, ¾l. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £5.80: £2.40, £3.70, £3.00. DF: £30.40. Trio: £109.30. CSF: £62.33. Tricast: £573.93. 2min 8.45sec.

Jackpot: Not won. Pool of £4,394.67 carried forward to today.

Placepot: £35.40.

### Carlisle

Going: good, good to firm in places first four races, then good to soft

2.20 (5f 207yd) 1, Norling (L Charnock, 9-4 fav); 2, Fortis Pavior (11-4); 3, Shotley Again (14-1). 7 ran. ¾l, 3½l. N Tinkler. Tote: £3.00: £1.70, £1.50. DF: £4.30. CSF: £8.32.

2.50 (5f) 1, Island Magic (D Thomas, 12-1); 2, Rafferty's Rules (7-4 fav); 3, Stephensons Rocket (15-2). 9 ran. Nk, 1½l. Mrs J Ramsden. Tote: £21.20: £4.90, £1.20, £2.30. DF: £32.00. CSF: £33.82.

3.20 (1m 4f) 1, Sunderland Echo (K Darley, 5-2 fav); 2, Salu (3-1); 3, Tanoda (7-1). 8 ran. 4l, 4l. Mrs M Reveley. Tote: £2.90: £1.60, £1.10, £3.90. DF: £3.60. CSF: £10.18. Tricast: £41.30.

3.50 (7f 214yd) 1, Bidweaya (D Wright, 4-1); 2, Young Jason (3-1 jt-fav); 3, Corona Gold (4-1). Who's Tef 3-1 jt-fav. 8 ran. 1¼l, hd. J Eyre. Tote: £5.00: £1.30, £1.70, £1.30. DF: £8.20. CSF: £16.30. Tricast: £46.90.

4.20 (6f 206yd) 1, White Creek (Paul Roberts, 7-2); 2, Bold Line (10-1); 3, Queen of The Quorn (9-4 fav). 10 ran. 1l, 1½l. J Berry. Tote: £4.00: £1.20, £2.90, £1.30. DF: £26.80. CSF: £35.37. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

4.50 (6f 206yd) 1, Miss Gorgeous (F Norton, 6-5); 2, Persiansky (10-11 fav); 3, Coconut Johnny (7-1). 3 ran. 2l, 7l. W O'Gorman. Tote: £2.30. DF: £1.10. CSF: £2.57.

Placepot: £16.80.

### Yarmouth

Going: good

2.10 (1m 3f 101yd) 1, Karachi (B Doyle, 7-2 jt-fav); 2, Chiappucci (7-2 jt-fav); 3, So Saucy (9-2). Lunar Risk 7-2 jt-fav. 6 ran. NR: Shareer. Sh hd, 4l. C Brittain. Tote: £4.30; £2.30, £1.70. DF: £8.00. CSF: £14.85.

2.40 (1m 2f 21yd) 1, Billyback (D Biggs, 4-1); 2, Nomadic Fire (9-2), 3, Badawi (14-1). B B Glen 2-1 fav. 7 ran. Nk, ¾l. M Ryan. Tote: £4.80: £2.70, £2.30. DF: £24.90. CSF: £20.85. Winner bought in for £5,250gns.

3.10 (7f 3yd) 1, Persian Elite (T Quinn, 8-2); 2, Indefence (100-30 fav); 3, I Fear Nothing (9-2). 9 ran. Sh hd, 3l. P Cole. Tote: £4.40; £1.50, £1.10, £2.40. DF: £8.10. CSF: £19.75.

3.40 (7f 3yd) 1, The Multiyorker (P Robinson, 5-2 fav); 2, Heathcliff (11-2); 3, Erna Boy (12-1). 9 ran. NR: Extra Bonus. 1l, ¾l. M Tompkins. Tote: £2.60; £1.10, £2.30, £2.30. DF: £11.10. CSF: £14.99. Tricast: £120.41.

4.10 (5f 43yd) 1, Newbury Coat (G Duffield, 4-1); 2, Desert Champ (11-1), 3, Piston (9-4 fav). 7 ran. 2½l, 2½l. M McCormack. Tote: £4.40, £2.40, £3.20. DF: £41.30. CSF: £37.75.

4.40 (5f 43yd) 1, Messon Times (N Carlisle, 14-1); 2, Bright Paragon (9-2); 3, Ski Captain (16-1). Jucea 7-2 fav. 8 ran. NR: Peerage Prince. 1½l, ¾l. R Bastiman. Tote: £18.50; £2.90, £1.30, £6.00. DF: £24.70. CSF: £69.00. Tricast: £926.79.

Placepot: £282.90.

## Thursday's late results

### Doncaster

Going: good to firm

6.20 (2m 110yd) 1, Farmer's Pet (Mr P Pritchard-Gordon, 6-1 jt-fav); 2, Almosa (6-1 jt-fav); 3, Barcham (6-1); 4, The Karaoke King (12-1). 18 ran. 1l, nk. G Pritchard-Gordon. Tote: £7.80; £2.30, £2.40, £2.20, £3.00. DF: £21.40. CSF: £41.80. Tricast: £275.28.

6.45 (6f) 1, Unblest (G Duffield, 6-4); 2, Torch Rouge (5-4 fav); 3, Three In One (6-1). 6 ran. NR: Hali, Once More For Luck. ¾l, 4l. J Fanshawe. Tote: £2.80; £1.60, £1.60. DF: £1.90. CSF: £3.87.

7.10 (6f) 1, Alasib (L Dettori, 8-1); 2, The Sharp Bidder (6-1); 3, Trinity Hall (13-2). Oubeck 100-30 fav. 9 ran. 1½l, 1¼l. W Jarvis. Tote: £7.50; £1.90, £1.60, £2.40. DF: £21.30. Trio: £102.20. CSF: £51.25. Tricast: £302.15.

7.40 (7f) 1, Powerful Edge (L Dettori, 5-4 fav); 2, Eiosha (5-1); 3, Absolute Magic (11-2). 9 ran. 2½l, 2½l. I Balding. Tote: £2.40; £1.20, £1.60, £1.40. DF: £5.80. Trio: £4.00. CSF: £8.78. Double Blue finished second but after a stewards' enquiry was disqualified.

8.10 (7f) 1, Browned Off (M Hills, 25-1); 2, Legend Dulac (12-1); 3, Patience Please (13-2). Smart Teacher 9-4 fav. 14 ran. NR: Montone. 1l, ½l. Mrs J Ramsden. Tote: £50.70; £8.50, £4.20, £2.70. DF: £508.30. CSF: £289.16. Tricast: £1,996.62.

8.40 (6f) 1, Samsolom (K Darley, 9-4 fav); 2, Zeboim (5-1); 3, Prince Belfort (6-1). 6 ran. 4l, nk. P Howling. Tote: £3.00; £1.80, £3.40. DF: £17.50. CSF: £13.09.

Placepot: £93.90.

☐ The Princess Royal yesterday became the first member of the royal family to visit Carlisle racecourse. She accepted donations of £1,500 for the Save The Children's Fund.

## Blinkered first time

ASCOT: 5.00 Band On The Run. AYR: 4.10 San Pier Niceto. NEWCASTLE: 3.45 Lucius Locket, Dockyard Dora, Sport Racing Club. 4.15 Forest Star.
SOUTHWELL: 3.25 General Fairfax, Northern Ballwick, Classic Miss. 5.25 Invisible Armour. 6.20 Jake The Pake. 7.20 Frankly My Dear. WARWICK: 6.40 Woodlands Electric. 7.10 Summer Flower, Santa Stellar. 8.40 Pavake.

## Two-pronged raid on Evry

EMPEROR Jones, ridden by Bruce Raymond, and Mistle Cat (Wendyll Woods) take on eight locals and the Italian challenger, Pelder, in the group three Prix Daphnis over nine furlongs at Evry today.

Emperor Jones, trained by John Gosden, was a close fifth to Fort Wood in the group one Grand Prix de Paris four weeks ago.

Mistle Cat, trained by Woods's brother, Sean, continued his improvement with a second to Inchinor in the group three Van Geest Criterion Stakes at Newmarket last month.

Lester Piggott can strike with John Dunlop's Lucky Guest at **Istanbul** today. Lucky Guest faces five rivals, including Michael Bell's Noyan, in the £39,735 Topkapi Trophy.

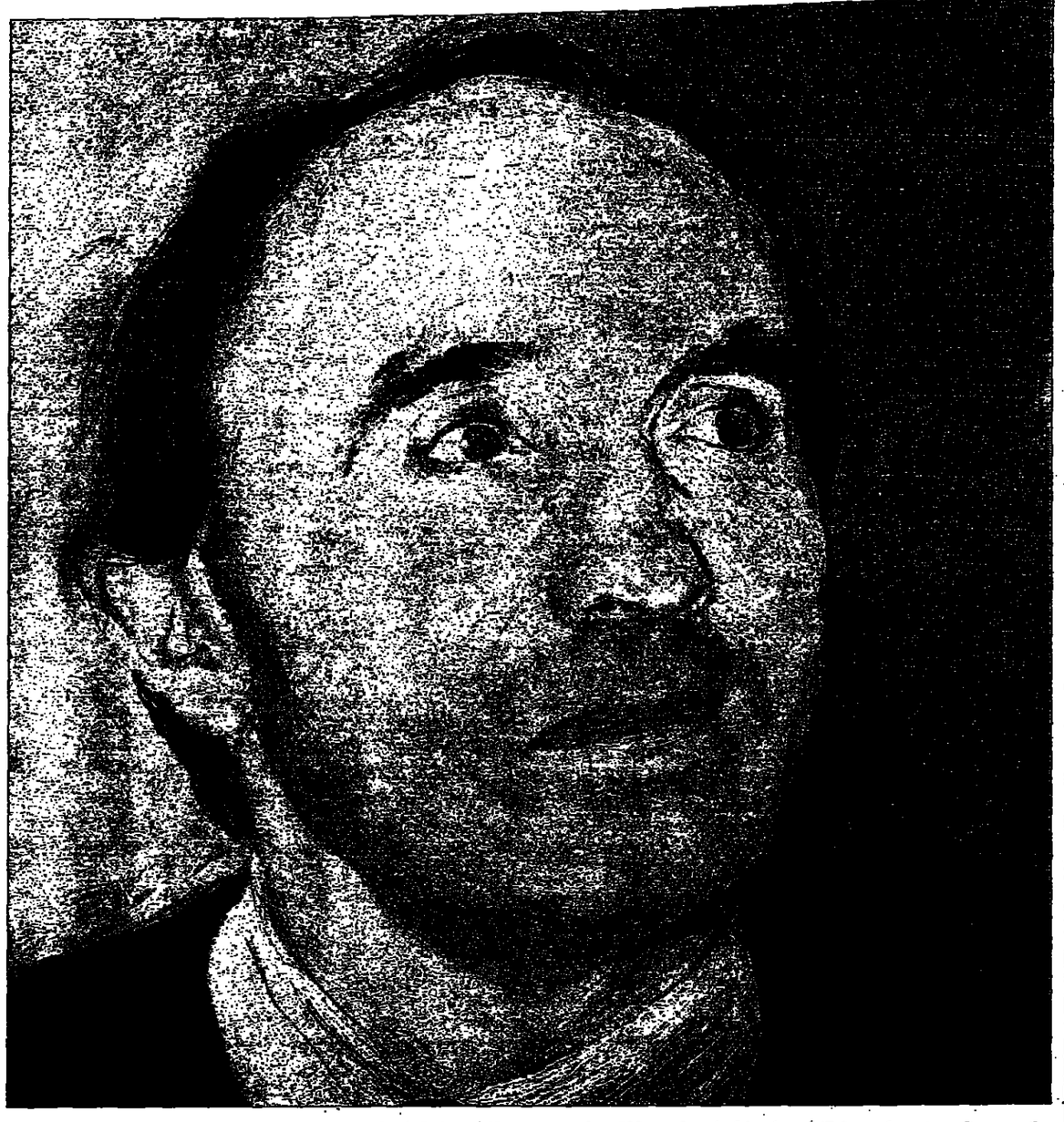
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**Saturday portrait:** Frank Williams, by Oliver Holt

# Ruthless owner with advanced approach to life in the fast lane

ILLUSTRATION: STEVE MARTIN



Twilight creeps over a château in central France as a helicopter carries Alain Prost away to his last social engagement of the evening. Inside, in an oak-panelled room thronged with party guests, the Japanese host turns his speech of welcome into a bitter valediction.

The European president of Canon, the photographic company that has sponsored Williams for the last nine years, struggles to control his anger at the snub he feels the team has dealt him by signing a £22 million two-year deal with the tobacco firm, Rothmans, in the week before the French grand prix, the week Canon was due to renew its financial commitment to the Didcot-based enterprise.

"Due to the unacceptable actions of the Williams team," he says, "we have been obliged to withdraw from all sponsorship of Formula One at the end of the season." At the back of the room, a group of veteran grand prix observers mutter among themselves. "That's Frank," one says, "that's Frank all over."

Frank the ruthless, Frank the wheeler-dealer, Frank the faintly sinister; that is what they mean. The man who cut the ground from beneath Nigel Mansell's feet at the moment of his greatest triumph by signing Prost, the team owner vilified as "Frank the Plank" by a tabloid newspaper for imposing team orders on the new British standard bearer, Damon Hill.

More important, until the German grand prix at Hockenheim this weekend, Williams had championed the on-going retention of the computer-controlled driver aids that have helped make his team so dominant at the risk of throwing the sport into chaos. Until Thursday, it seemed the Williams-Renaults driven by Prost and Hill might even have to miss some of this season's races because of his unwillingness to give in.

Despite, or perhaps because of, the serious injuries he suffered in a car crash in the south of France seven years ago, an accident that left him paralysed from the neck down, Williams, 51, has gained a reputation as one of the most calculating men in his sport.

Before he was confined to a wheelchair he had a lean and hungry look that could have marked him out as an acolyte of the Krays. He was a keen runner and was due to train with Sebastian Coe the day after his accident. His paralysis has robbed him of body language, made him even harder to read.

Only his eyes, flashing occasionally and apparently furtively at the television cameras, betray his emotions, adding to the impression of a schemer, a racing anti-hero, an immobile man in charge of the most advanced cars in the world.

The uneasiness over his ruthlessness, though, is spiced with admiration for a man who has scratched and scrabbled his way to the top, whose team is strengthening its grand prix hegemony by securing lucrative deals with flourishing companies like Rothmans and Sega, when most other outfits are being forced to tighten their belts.

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His disability has not affected his business acumen; it seems to have sharpened it. He was left in the lurch by Honda in July 1987 when the Japanese manufacturer announced that it would be terminating its supply of turbo-charged engines to the team at the end of the season with 18 months of the contract still to go, apparently doubting his fitness to run the company. When Canon and Camel delayed over re-signing their sponsorship deals this year, Williams, who has not missed a race since 1987, signed Rothmans.

Nor has his disability impinged on his earthy sense of humour, his devotion to his job, his loyalty to his staff. Despite his natural suspicion, Williams runs a friendly team, fallible and human, a refreshing change from the indifference that emanates from McLaren. His split with Mansell at the end of last season was acrimonious, but despite a barrage of publicity against him, Williams emerged relatively blameless.

In recent weeks, though, he has come under the spotlight again as the champion of the computer controlled aids that Fisa, the sport's governing body, maintains are squeezing the financial life out of the smaller teams and ruining grand prix motor racing as a television spectacle.

So steadfast was Williams in his opposition to Fisa's attempts to ban from next season the active suspension system that Patrick Head, his technical director for the past 16 years, had perfected that it seemed, until 48 hours ago, that his cars might be forced to miss part of the season if he continued his objections to the changes and was penalised by having to strip his active suspension from the cars this year.

Yesterday, it appeared that threat was receding, but only because Williams may have finally been forced into a compromise that will have stuck in his craw, a deal that takes away some of the advantages he has fought so long to establish after years in the wilderness.

He learnt the business the hard way, abandoning an unsuccessful driving career in the lower formulas to start the racing car business which he had to run from a telephone box because of lack of funds when he set it up in 1967.

He was ridiculed initially because he was not perceived as a serious player in the glamorous world of Formula One and, as he was striving to build his credibility, his friend and driver, Piers Courage, was killed in a crash at the Dutch grand prix at Zandvoort in 1970.

The first Williams-built Formula One car appeared at the British grand prix in 1972, but after four more years of financial hardship he and Head started again when they formed Williams Grand Prix Engineering. The team expanded to two cars for 1979 and in July of that year the Swiss, Clay Regazzoni, now also confined to a wheelchair after crashing at Long Beach, California, in 1980, won Williams's first grand prix at Silverstone.

There have been troughs since but there has been more success. The team has added another 66 wins to its victory list and boasts five constructors' and four drivers' world championships. It employs more than 200 people at its hi-tech factory. The dominant team of the day, it is closing fast on the records of Ferrari, McLaren and Lotus, the most successful grand prix teams of all time.

"I never once dreamed through 14 years of penury when I got into this," Williams said last week. "Wasn't offered any help, didn't ask for it and that is how it should be.

"Money is not on its own the answer to success, Ferrari are the richest team in Formula One and they do not know what to do with their money. We have had a very advanced, competitive car for the last two seasons because of Patrick Head's foresight a long time ago. It seems to me that the teams wanting to ban the gismos simply cannot stand the heat in the kitchen."

# Hill angry after collision with Alboreto



**Oliver Holt**, at Hockenheim, sees practice for the German grand prix enlivened by confrontation

FROM the most unlikely of quarters, at the quietest of times, on the day the aficionados of Formula One were celebrating the end of the protracted wrangling over technical regulations, a pit lane altercation yesterday shook the preparations for the German Grand Prix on Sunday out of the torpor that was descending on Hockenheim.

Alain Prost claimed provisional pole position in his Williams-Renault, 0.6sec in front of an inspired Michael Schumacher, who stole second place in his Benetton-Ford in front of an expectant and healthy home crowd. But in the best fist-shaking traditions of Nigel Mansell, his Williams predecessor, the day belonged to Damon Hill.

Hill struggled all day with troublesome brakes and was edged out of a front row position by Schumacher at the end of afternoon qualifying on a track that rewards power and where he should be comfortably clear of everyone but his French teammate.

"This was probably the worst session I have had all year," Hill said. "It was a miserable afternoon, the car was a real nightmare, just evil. It was just unbelievably bad when braking and that is so crucial on this track. It was as though I had the handbrake on going into the chicanes. It just wanted to swap ends all the time. There was no way you could drive in a race like that and we have a lot of work to do tomorrow. It was like driving in the Manx Rally out there."

But Hill reserved the core of his anger for the 36-year-old Lola driver, Michele Alboreto, a veteran of 173 grands prix and the least successful driver in Formula One this season. The two collided at the Sachs Curve during practice in the morning and Hill was shunted into the gravel.

Usually the epitome of restraint, the master of the considered answer and tact personified, Hill promptly returned to the pits, marched into Alboreto's garage and made his displeasure plain. It was an ugly scene.

"I was a victim of Alboreto's cantankerousness out there," Hill said. "He opened the door for me and then closed it. I was incensed. It was totally unnecessary and stupid. I went to make my feelings known to him. I think he knows enough English to have understood it. Let's just say I think Michele must have reached the IndyCar stage of his career."

Alboreto, who has qualified for only one of the last six grands prix, was in no mood to take the criticism lying down and offered an appraisal of Hill's career so far that did not quite match the rave reviews the Englishman has been receiving recently.

"He came into my garage and began shouting at me," Alboreto said. "But I could not hear him because I was still in the car with my helmet on. He should try to keep cool. He is too young to blame anyone.

"Next time, instead of coming into the pit like that, he should just have a quiet word. I gave him the line but he spun off. He is too inexperienced to start shouting his mouth off. I think the English expression is, 'He is getting a bit too big for his boots'."

While both Prost and Hill complained about the set-up of their cars on the bumpy, narrow track, Schumacher took advantage to nip in between them.

If it rains today, as is forecast, he will stay on the front row of the grid and could prove particularly difficult for Hill to overtake. "It was a very successful day," the 24-year-old German said.

"I'm delighted to be in between the two Williams drivers. The car has been perfect right from the start and every change we have made has had a positive result."

But if the day began on a note of discord, it ended swathed in harmony amid comforting but unsubstantiated talk of Mansell's return to Formula One. Bernie Ecclestone, the president of the Formula One Constructors' Association, confirmed that teams have agreed a deal that will be recommended to the sport's governing body, Fisa, and will allow competitors to run with computer-controlled driver aids like traction control, active suspension and the ABS braking system until the end of the season provided they give them up for 1994.

He refused to discuss the details of plans for next season, but it is thought cars will be forced to make IndyCar-style fuel stops to add an element of uncertainty to the racing and may also be limited to a reduced number of engines per year. Asked how he had managed to bring the squabbling factions together after such a long period of argument, Ecclestone stopped and thought for a moment. "Terrorism," he said.



Alboreto: experienced

PRACTICE TIMES: 1, A Prost (Fr), Williams Renault, 1min 39.046sec; 2, M Schumacher (Ger), Benetton Ford, 1:39.640; 3, D Hill (GB), Williams Renault, 1:40.211; 4, M Blundell (GB), Ligier Renault, 1:40.278; 5, A Senna (Br), McLaren Ford, 1:40.642; 6, M Brundle (GB), Ligier Renault, 1:40.916; 7, R Patrese (It), Benetton Ford, 1:41.101; 8, A Suzuki (Japan), Footwork Mugen Honda, 1:41.138; 9, G Berger (Austria), Ferrari, 1:41.290; 10, J Alesi (Fr), Ferrari, 1:41.304; 11, M Andretti (US), McLaren Ford, 1:41.531. 12, J Herbert (GB), Lotus Ford, 1:41.564; 13, A Zanardi (It), Lotus Ford, 1:41.858; 14, K Wendlinger (Austria), Sauber, 1:41.992 ; 15, E Comas (Fr), Larrousse Lamborghini, 1:42.088; 16, R Barrichello (Br), Jordan Hart, 1:42.152; 17, C Fittipaldi (Br), Minardi Ford, 1:42.658; 18, P Martini (It), Minardi Ford, 1:42.788; 19, J Lehto (Fin), Sauber, 1:42.845; 20, P Alliot (Fr), Larrousse Lamborghini, 1:42.912; 21, D Warwick (GB), Footwork Mugen Honda, 1:42.977; 22, L Badoer (It), BMS Lola Ferrari, 1:43.345; 23, A de Cesaris (It), Tyrrell Yamaha, 1:43.471; 24, T Boutsen (Bel), Jordan Hart, 1:43.478; 25, M Alboreto (It), BMS Lola Ferrari, 1:44.198; 25, U Katayama (Japan), Tyrrell Yamaha, 1:46.709.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POSITIONS: Drivers: 1, A Prost (Fr) 67pts; 2, A Senna (Br) 47; 3 M Schumacher (Ger) 30; 4, D Hill (GB) 28, equal 5, R Patrese (It), M Brundle (GB) and J Herbert (GB) 9; 8, M Blundell (GB) 6; equal 9, J Lehto (Fin), C Fittipaldi (BR) and G Berger (Austria) 5; 12, J Alesi (Fr) 4; 13, M Andretti (US) 3; equal 14, P Alliot (Fr) and F Barbazza (It) 2; equal 16, K Wendlinger (Austria), A Zanardi (It) and D Warwick (GB) 1. Constructors: 1, Williams 95. 2, McLaren 50; 3, Benetton 39; 4, Ligier 15, 5, Lotus 10; 6, Ferrari 9, 7, Minardi 7; 8, Sauber 6; 9, Lamborghini 2, 10 Footwork 1.

# Chileans will test England team

BY JOHN WATSON

ENGLAND's match against Chile, to be played over six chukkas, will launch the Hurlingham Polo Association's International Day, on the Guards Club's No 1 ground at Smith's Lawn, Windsor Great Park, tomorrow. This tournament, which began in 1971, usually attracts a crowd well in excess of 20,000.

The English team this year will be based on this country's leading duo, the Hipwood brothers, Howard, the captain, and Julian, who are regular participants. They will be joined this year by two six-handicap players, William Lucas in the No 1 slot, with the Anglo-Irish Lord Charles Beresford at back. Both come from very strong polo families.

Chile is the second most formidable South American polo country after Argentina.

The team will be captained by Gabriel Donoso, Charles Beresford's brother-in-law. An eight-goaler, he played No 2 in the line-up for Alcatel, the team that won the British Open title last Sunday. Donoso's brother, José, will play No 1, supported by Rodrigo Vial and Fernando Fantini.

The English team aggregates 27 on handicap, the Chileans 26. After this opening match, which starts at 3pm, there will be a five-chukka contest between a team put together by the Hurlingham Polo Association for the Prince of Wales and Canada.

Both teams aggregate 20 goals. While Prince Charles will play in his usual position of back, Alan Kent, a past veteran of the All England side, fills the position of pivot, with Andrew Hine and James Lucas, both playing off five goals, as his forwards.

The Canadian team will be mounted and organised by that staunch player-patron, Galen Weston, whose son, Galen Jr, will fill the No 1 position.

Canada's main power will be provided by the Offen brothers, David, the captain, and Todd, from the Toronto Club. They are backed by Steve Dalton of the Calgary Club, who, like the Offens, is a six-handicap.

ENGLAND: 1, W Lucas (6); 2, J Hipwood (7); 3, H Hipwood (8); back: Lord C Beresford (6).
CHILE: 1, J Donoso (5); 2, R Vial (7); 3, G Donoso (8); back: F Fantini (6).
CANADA: 1, G Weston Jr (2); 2, T Offen (6); 3, D Offen (6); back: S Dalton (6).
THE PRINCE OF WALES'S HPA TEAM: 1, A Hine (5); 2, J Lucas (5); 3, A Kent (7); back: The Prince of Wales (2).

# Mechanics defence outwitted by Lucas

TWO of the most formidable of the 18 entries for Cowdray Park's medium-goal Harrison Cup challenge were in opposition when the qualifying round was resumed at Ambersham, Sussex, yesterday (John Watson writes). Kerry Packer's Ellerston Black beat Mike Rutherford's quartet, The Mechanics, by 9-6 to move into Monday's quarter-finals.

Ellerston fielded a beautifully balanced line-up, centred on the Australian, Jim Gilmore, and the all-England six-goaler, William Lucas, with Roddy Williams in the No 1 position, and, at back, Justin Gaunt, a very undervalued two-handicap.

The Mechanics were also strong at the centre, where Lord Charles Beresford and the Argentine seven-goaler Silvestre Garros were deployed. But they were weaker at either end of their line-up.

Beresford and Garros, with their masterly ball control and the speed they extracted from their ponies, often proved the most effective combination on the pitch, frequently driving Ellerston on to the defensive.

However, Ellerston's superior balance and backing-up kept them ahead on the scoreboard. The tally at treading-in time was 5-3 in their favour, and, during the last two chukkas, they were always a point or two in front.

Will Lucas, the man of the match, notched up six of his side's goals, but he also missed many chances from penalty shots.

ELLERSTON BLACK: 1, R Williams (3); 2, W Lucas (6); 3, J Gilmore (4); back: J Gaunt (2).
THE MECHANICS: 1, M Rutherford (0); 2, Lord C Beresford (6); 3, S Garros (7); back: R Vere Nicoll (2).

## VAT leaves yachtie in deep water

At last I find a sympathetic yachtie. Greetings, then, to Philip Walwyn, of St Kitts, competitor in the recently completed round Britain race. Even before the race, he was famous in yachting circles for falling off his boat in the course of a transatlantic race, but this was not enough to put him off all the cruel sea stuff.

It took 2,000 miles of slogging round Britain in absolutely appalling weather to do that. He finished the race all right, without falling overboard even once, but he was so deeply fed up with the whole business that when he at last docked in Plymouth, his first move was to go to the pub.

Well, many of us could empathise with that. But Walywn went a lot better. He sold the boat. He accepted an offer of £1 from a chap he met there called Jason Phillips. The bright yellow boat cost him £125,000, and contains a "radical rig" of the sort the yellow-wellied brotherhood discuss for hours.

Phillips was delighted with his unquestionably radical bargain, but nemesis struck. It took the form of the darkest and most fearsome of the four horses of the Apocalypse — the demon named VAT. Phillips is now faced with a VAT bill based on the real value of the boat: a bill for £3,000. Not even a yachtie deserves this.






**SIMON BARNES**
Sporting Diary

*For 37 years, the Australian Wool Corporation has supplied uniforms for Australian Olympic teams. No longer. It blames depressed wool prices. "The decision was an extremely difficult one, because the AWC has been sponsoring the Australian Olympic team since the Melbourne Games in 1956," the corporation said. The teams for the 1994 Winter Olympics and the 1996 Games in Atlanta will not get a uniform. If I were an Australian athlete, I would look on this as good news. Not everyone looks his or her best in a bright yellow woollen blazer.*

### Help from above

Andrew Wingfield-Digby, chaplain to the England cricket team, is an unquestionably good fellow, but he goes too far. In his newly published account of his trip with the England boys in India last winter, I read he "was conscious of many people's prayers and support. An early indication of God's goodness was being upgraded at Heathrow. The flight was over-booked, and I was waitlisted. Only at the last minute was there a seat . . . but it was in Club Class". On a tour when the England team needed all the divine help it could get, you would have thought that Wingfield-Digby would have diverted the nation's prayers from his own well-being. Or is there a moral in this that I have missed? And anyway, why do my prayers at check-in queues never get answered?

### Hard to swallow

Romeo Anconetani, president of Pisa football club, is a man who consistently manages to make Ken Bates, the Chelsea chairman, look calm, temperate and rational. I hear of the final unwinding of a year-long feud he has had with Pisa's 28-year-old midfield player, Franco Marchegiani. It all began when the team — which must eat on club premises — was having a meal in the company of its esteemed president. As the food was scoffed, a pal told Marchegiani a funny story. Marchegiani gave out a cheery shout of laughter. Anconetani was furious: "What have you got to laugh at?" he asked. "When did you ever win anything?" Nor were matters allowed to rest there. When the meal was finished, Marchegiani was summoned to the president's office and given a lengthy dressing-down. At the end of this, he was suspended without pay, for a full year. Now, a year on and many lawyers later, Marchegiani, who has not played throughout the year, has finally won his case against Anconetani. He must get his full year's salary, plus interest, and he is allowed a free transfer. Verona are the favourites to grab him.

### Running amok

The real world of cricket continues far beyond the nonsense of Headingley. Greetings to Abbotsholme School, for example, who recently beat Lindisfarne — the school, not the folk group, one supposes — by the ludicrous margin of 307 runs.

After an opening stand of 305, they ground in their advantage before declaring at 344 for one. Lindisfarne were all out for 37, with the pleasingly named Michael Mookerji taking the last four wickets in successive balls.

I hear also of a prodigy called Daniel Davies. Playing for Hymers College, Hull, against Stockport Grammar, he made 144 out of 176 for nine. Five other batsmen made ducks and the second highest individual total was extras, with eight.

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# New generation suggests future in good hands


Campbell: reassuring

**Rob Hughes**, football correspondent, looks at the young players who have taken England to the brink of victory in the European under-18 championship

NOTHING satisfies the taste-buds for sport quite like a nation's youth being allowed to express skills that suggest they can master all-comers in their class. Out of season, but in high, encouraging form, England's teenagers stand on the brink of recapturing the European under-18 championship last won by the nation 15 years ago.

There is the small matter of Turkey to overcome at the City Ground, Nottingham, tomorrow evening. Turkey are the champions of the continent at this age; they have squads that have been together for more than 50 internationals and although their players' talent rarely matures, the technical ability they are able to produce in the formative years is second to none.

Yet England, by the manner in which they disposed of France, Holland and Spain, are very much the favourites — not only because of the relish with which their forwards have scored goals, but because the maturity with which the entire team has come good in the closing stages of matches suggests they can, indeed, win it.

This, added to the third place won by the under-20 squad at the world youth championship in Sydney last March, suggests that at long last, England surely must be doing something right in the schooling of young footballers.

However, before falling away, England's under-18s used to win this European trophy as regularly as rain on a bank holiday weekend, only for the players to disperse, seldom to be seen at full international level. The most chilling and salutary lesson anyone could tell these young players is that on Thursday, the day they hammered in five goals against the ill-disciplined Spaniards, an inquest was told that Tommy Caton, once predicted to be the finest centre half Britain had produced, had died at the age of 30.

He suffered a heart attack, brought on by alcohol abuse, and the coroner was informed that this spiral began when he simply could not accept that injury had curtailed his career at 28.

But why frighten the talented youngsters? They have scored 11 goals in three games this past week. Their team has been built up around Leeds United, Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur, three clubs clearly teaching them to play measured but attractive football, a million miles from the simplistic long-ball theories that have diminished our senior game.

The team has the reassuring figure of Sol Campbell, a player of enormous height, in defence. Up front, the diminutive, ebullient Leicester forward, Julian Joachim, is almost irresistible. Born in Peterborough, bypassed probably because of his lack of height by so many, he has flourished under Leicester's wing since the age of 12. His goal against Holland, collecting the ball on the right foot, flicking it over a defender, and volleying it into the goal with his left, was of the quality we might associate with Brazil.

But with a visionary performer like Paul Scholes directing operations in midfield, with a predator like Robbie Fowler scoring a hat-trick against Spain, it is anything but a one-man team. Good luck to them in Nottingham.

PROBABLE TEAM: C Day (Tottenham Hotspur), G Neville (Manchester United), S Campbell (Tottenham Hotspur), C Casper (Manchester United), K Sharp (Leeds United), M Tinkler (Leeds United), D Caskey (Tottenham Hotspur), P Scholes (Manchester United), K Gallen (Queens Park Rangers) or J Forrester (Leeds United), R Fowler (Liverpool), J Joachim (Leicester City).

# Organisers rebuff all charges in Bubka row

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

BRITISH athletics officials denied accusations of incompetence directed at them by Sergey Bubka, the world pole vault champion, who failed to get a visa for the TSB grand prix meeting at Crystal Palace last night.

Bubka criticised the British Athletics Federation (BAF) when he left Nice on Thursday night, saying it had failed to get him and nine other former Soviet athletes visas for the London meeting, but the BAF promoter, Andy Norman, rejected the accusation, and blamed the athletes' managers for not applying for British visas as advised.

Bubka, a star attraction at the Nice grand prix on Wednesday, where he was attempting to set his 35th world record, said: "The British federation was sleeping. They should have sorted the visa arrangements out. It's typical of them."

The Ukrainian and Vladimir Sasimovitch, the Belarus javelin thrower, were the biggest names missing from Crystal Palace, together with several second-string women middle-distance runners.

Norman insisted, however, the British federation was in no way to blame. "We sent them invitations with forms for visa applications and sent a copy of the invitation to the embassies. But the athletes' two managers never sent an application form to the embassy," he said. "There are plenty of former Soviet athletes competing. It's just the two groups represented by these managers who are missing."

He said Bubka had tried this week to obtain a last-minute visa from British consulate officials in Berlin, where he now lives, but was told it was available only in Düsseldorf, and by then it was too late to make the trip.

Steve Cram pulled out of the meeting, in which he was to make another attempt at achieving the 1,500 metres qualifying time for the world championships. Cram, 32, will now concentrate on the Vauxhall Invitation meeting next Friday in front of his home supporters at Gateshead.

Bothered by calf and Achilles tendon problems this season, Cram said: "There is nothing wrong. I just feel it would be beneficial to have a solid weekend's training and make sure I'm in the best shape for Gateshead."

The former world champion, who needs to run 3min 36.50sec to persuade Britain's selectors to pick him for next month's championships in Stuttgart, is short of 1,500 metres work.

He was concentrating on a new career at 5,000 metres until third place in Oslo's Dream Mile a fortnight ago persuaded him to have a last attempt at his former event.

Last week, Cram and Matthew Yates were both outside the qualifying time in the AAA championships, but Yates was planning to launch another attempt last night, hoping the presence of the man who succeeded Cram as the world champion, Abdi Bile, of Somalia, and Simon Doyle, of Australia, a midweek winner in Nice, would ensure a competitive and fast race.

Cram's decision adds more spice to the Gateshead meeting, which will stage the long-awaited 100 metres showdown between Linford Christie and Carl Lewis.

If Cram and Yates are still trying to beat the clock after that, Cologne, on August 1, and Zurich three days later might offer a late opportunity to qualify.


Cram: withdrawn

TONY DUFFY/ALLSPORT



THE world heptathlon record-holder, Jackie Joyner-Kersee, above, has bowed to the wishes of her husband, who is also her coach, and will not defend her long jump title at the world championships next month, athletics officials in the United States said yesterday. Joyner-Kersee, the US heptathlon and long jump champion, had wanted to attempt both at Stuttgart, but her husband, Bob Kersee, said the schedule was inappropriate. The two-day heptathlon begins the day after the long jump final and Kersee fears injury if his wife competes in both. Joyner-Kersee followed a similar schedule at the 1991 world championships in Tokyo. She won the women's long jump but pulled a hamstring in the heptathlon the next night, an injury which meant that she was unable to finish the event.

The next crop of British Olympic Games hopefuls are going to be taken to Tallahassee, Florida, to prepare for the 1996 Games in Atlanta. The British Olympic Association chose Tallahassee as the official training site after receiving 18 submissions from American cities offering facilities.

# Players plead for fresh start in France

MARSEILLES will use the start of the French football season to try to ease the controversy that has dogged the club throughout the summer. The European champions, under investigation for an alleged attempt to bribe opposing players before a game towards the end of last season, are seeking to win their sixth consecutive league title when the season gets under way tomorrow.

Yesterday, the club's players pleaded for the media and spectators to forget problems off the field and concentrate on events on it. "All we ask is to be able to do our job in a calm atmosphere," the Marseilles captain, Didier Deschamps, said before the home match against Lens.

French football officials have allowed Marseilles to take part in the championship, saying no sanctions would be taken before any evidence that they had bribed Valenciennes players ahead of a crucial league match on May 20 was accepted in court.

"I think the Marseilles players are strong enough mentally to make the best possible start to our championship," the French league president, Noel Le Graet, said.

"The good thing about all this is that it brought the players together," the club's new coach, Marc Bourrier, said. "Now all they want to do is play football. They are all looking forward to it."

However, with matters elsewhere taking up so much time, Marseilles have made only one big transfer, bringing Paulo Futre, the Portuguese international forward, to the Stade Vélodrome from Benfica. In contrast, a number of leading players have left, including Abedi Pele and Manuel Amoros, who have joined Lyons, and Franck Sauzée, who has joined Atalanta in Italy.

Paris Saint-Germain and AS Monaco, Marseilles' most likely rivals, have been far busier in the transfer market. Paris have added Rai, the Brazilian captain and brother of Socrates, to their side, while Monaco have signed Enzo Scifo, the Belgian playmaker, from Torino. Of the other clubs, Bordeaux, Nantes and Lyons appear the most likely to challenge.

## FOR THE RECORD

### BADMINTON

JAKARTA, Indonesian Open: Men's singles, second round: J Suprianto (Indo) bt H Fuchs (Austria), 15-5, 15-7; M Tejakusuma (Indo) bt P Jentil (Fin), 5-15, 18-15, 15-8; P E Hoyer-Larsen (Den) bt M Maineky (Indo), 18-15, 15-10; H Susanto (Indo) bt Cheng Jeng-shyong (Taiwan), 15-8, 15-8; Kim Hak Yun (S Kor) bt J Kusumo (Indo), 18-18, 15-9, 18-13; T Takayama (Japan) bt Lee Mou-chou (Taiwan), 15-6, 15-2; F Parmadi (Indo) bt S Hartono (Indo), 15-12, 15-4; A Wirasasa (Indo) bt Liu En-horng (Taiwan), 15-8, 15-5; Ong Ewe Hock (Malay) bt G Rinarodi (Indo), 15-11, 15-7; Hendrawan (Indo) bt T Stuer-Lauridsen (Den), 17-14, 15-11; A B Kusuma (Indo) bt Peng Chen (Malaysia), 15-13, 15-9; H Arbi (Indo) bt Y Nakamura (Japan), 15-3, 15-8; L Y Ping (Indo) bt N Sutendono (Indo), 15-13, 15-9. Third round: J Suprianto (Indo) bt M Tejakusuma (Indo), 15-1, 15-8; P E Hoyer-Larsen (Den) bt K Hak-yun (S Kor), 15-4, 15-7; H Arbi (Indo) bt L Tiong Ping (Indo), 15-12, 15-8; O E Hock (Malay) bt Hendrawan, 4-15, 15-8, 15-8; A Wirarata (Indo) bt J Rosobin (Indo), 15-11, 15-12; H Susanto (Indo) bt S Kuksaenkat, 15-12, 15-6; F Parmadi (Indo) bt L Mou-chou (Tai), 15-3, 15-10.

Women's singles, second round: S Susanti (Indo) bt P Plungwah (Thai), 11-4, 11-2; S Jaroensiri (Thai) bt I Ibolina (Indo), 11-2, 11-3; Lim Xiaoqing (Swe) bt S Aggraineri (Indo), 11-5, 11-4; Ye Zhaoying (China) bt S Tandiary (Indo), 11-2, 11-5; M Timur (Indo) bt E Emawati (Indo), 11-8, 11-7; C Magnusson (Swe) bt H Paoki (Indo), 12-11, 11-3; Y Kanika (Indo) bt L Permane (Indo), 11-5, 11-9; I Heinf (Indo) bt Lee Wai Lang (Malay), 11-0, 11-2; Ra Kyung Min (S Kor) bt Dosilina (Indo), 11-1, 11-1. Third round: Susanti bt Cindana (Indo), 11-7, 12-9; Ye Zhaoying (China) bt R Kyung-min (S Kor), 11-7, 11-2; S Jaroensiri (Thai) bt Meiluawati (Indo), 11-6, 11-4; L Xiaoqing (Sweden) bt Y Kanika (Indo), 10-12, 12-10, 11-5; Magnusson bt Heny, 11-8, 11-4; Y Santoso (Indo) bt H Mizui (Japan), 11-0, 11-6; Chan Oi Nis (Hong Kong) bt I Ardiwantini (Indo), 5-11, 12-10, 11-4; M Timur (Indo) bt Christin (Indo), 11-1, 11-2.

### BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: San Francisco Giants 4, Philadelphia Phillies 1; Cincinnati Reds 7, Florida Marlins 3; Pittsburgh Pirates 8, Atlanta Braves 7; Houston Astros 9, Chicago Cubs 4; Colorado Rockies 7, St Louis Cardinals 6; Montreal Expos 10, San Diego Padres 5. New York Mets 10, Los Angeles Dodgers 5.

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Seattle Mariners 3, Cleveland Indians 2; Kansas City Royals 12, Detroit Tigers 6; New York Yankees 12, California Angels 1; Boston Red Sox 6, Oakland Athletics 7; Chicago White Sox 7, Milwaukee Brewers 2; Minnesota Twins 8, Baltimore Orioles 4; Toronto Blue Jays 8, Texas Rangers 7.

### CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Southampton: Worcestershire 269 and 61-3; Hampshire 312-8 dec (J R Wood 82, M Garaway 84, T C Middleton 71). Wellingborough School: Northamptonshire 257-9 dec (S Flemming 79, R R Montgomerie 55) and 41-0. Yorkshire 227-5 dec (A A Metcalfe 101). Bristol: Essex 267 (N Shahid 57, R J Rollings 51; A M Smith 5-73) and 156-9 (M Dilwan 68 not out, A R Butcher 53). Gloucestershire 170. Nuneaton: Warwickshire 173 (M A Ditt 65, V J Wells 5-26) and 212-9 (P C L Holloway 89, W J Khan 53). Leicestershire 260 (M J Harllom 54, D L Maddy 87, D A Allfree 5-39). Seaton Carew: Durham 309-8 dec (D M Jones 73, M P Briers 73, J D Glendenen 65) and 88-2. Kent 300-4 dec (J I Longley 173 not out, M J Walker 66). Trent Bridge: Nottinghamshire 301-6 dec (G F Archer 88) and 143-1 (Archer 58 not out, W A Dessaur 57 not out). Somerset 251-7 dec (A Payne 66, R J Turner 62). Chesterfield: Lancashire 372-6 dec (S P Titchard 94, J D Fitton 71 not out) and 122-2 (M E Harvey 53 not out). Derbyshire 320-9 dec (I G S Steer 139, P R Whitaker 54).

### FOOTBALL

EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP: Group one: Turkey 2, Portugal 0 (at Notts County); Romania 0, Hungary 1 (at Derby County). Group two: England 5, Spain 1 (at Walsall); France 1, Holland 1 (at Stoke City). England play Turkey in final at Nottingham Forest on Sunday.

OTHER MATCHES: - Jonsered (Swe) 1, Southampton 0; Nybro (Swe) 1, Wolverhampton Wanderers 3; Ollonville 0, Bradford City 1.

### SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Ipswich 52, Poole 46. Second division: Middlesbrough 55, Edinburgh 53, Sheffield 69, Oxford 40.

### SWIMMING

LEEDS: Speedo national age group championships: Boys 17-18: 100m backstroke: 1, N Wiley (Barnet Copthall), 57.57 sec; 2, N Skinner (Portsmouth Northsea), 1min 1.39sec; 3, T Kirk (City of Peterborough), 1:01.88. 200m breaststroke: 1, A Ayres (City of Swansea), 2:20.45; 2, M Belcourt (Harrow and Wealdstone), 2:23.84; 3, R Birchmore (Portsmouth Northsea), 2:25.82. 16: 100m backstroke: 1, P Beck (Leatherhead), 1:01.45; 2, J Blood (Cheadle), 1:01.99; 3, D Grasby (City of Coventry), 1:02.77. 200m breaststroke: 1, D Smith (Trafford Metro), and A Turner (Manchester United Salford), 2:27.56; 3, R Wardle (City of Birmingham), 2:28.23. Girls 17-18: 50m freestyle: 1, M Bates (Walsall), 27.55; 2, J Park (City of Newcastle), 28.13; 3, E Watson (Nova Centurion), 28.28. 400m: 1, A Pendinch (Beckenham), 4:20.90; 2, H Billington (St. Helens), 4:23.12; 3, S Colling (Derwentside), 4:23.47. 16: 50m freestyle: 1, N Thomley (Manchester United Salford), 27.61, 2, M Elliston (Waveney), 27.84; 3, K Burke (Cockermouth), 27.85. 400m: 1, K Goddard (Portsmouth Northsea), 4:33.68; 2, J Howell (Wigan Wasps), 4:35.50; 3, S Hallworth (Stockport Metro), 4:39.33.

### TENNIS

FRANKFURT: Federation Cup: Quarter-finals: France bt Czechoslovakia 2-0 (J Halard bt H Sukova, 7-6, 6-4; M Tauziat bt J Novotna, 6-1, 0-6, 6-3). Spain lead Holland 1-0 (C Martinez bt S Rotter, 7-6, 6-3).

Relegation play-offs: Croatia bt Belgium, 2-1 (Croatia names first. M Muric bt N Feber, 6-4, 6-4; N Eroegovic lost to D Monami, 1-6, 2-6; Muric and Eroegovic bt Monami and L Courtois, 4-6, 6-3, 8-2). Colombia bt Chile, 2-1 (Colombia names first: C Giraldo lost to A Quazada, 3-6, 3-6; C Hincape bt P Cabezas, 6-4, 6-4; Hincapie and Giraldo bt Cabezas and B Castro, 6-4, 2-6, 13-11). Switzerland bt Peru, 2-1 (Switzerland names first: C Fleuchs bt P Vasquez, 6-4, 6-2; E Zardo bt L Gildemeister, 6-3, 6-4; J Manta mand G Dondi lost to G Deverdelli and Vasquez, 5-7, 4-6).

STUTTGART: Men's tournament: Third round: M Goellner (Ger) bt M Filippini (Uru), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2; A Medvedev (Ukr) bt B Karbacher (Ger), 6-3, 6-4; A Chesnokov (Russ) bt A Boetsch (Fr), 6-3, 6-1; M Ondruska (SA) bt E Sanchez (Sp), 6-0, 6-3. M Gustafsson (Swe) bt A Bessagnoz (Sp), 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; K Novacek (Cz Rep) bt T Carbonell (Sp), 6-3, 3-6, 7-5; M Stich (Ger) bt C Costa (Sp), 6-4, 1-6, 6-4; J Sanchez (Sp) bt T Muster (Austria), 7-5, 6-2. Quarter-final: Stich bt Chesnokov, 6-2, 7-5.

WASHINGTON: Men's tournament: Third round (US unless stated): A Mansdorf (Is) bt S Stolle (Aus), 6-4, 6-2; P Korda (Cz Rep) bt J Hlasek (Switz), 7-6, 7-6; T Martin (US) bt P McEnroe (US), 6-3, 6-7, 6-2; G Pozzi (It) bt D Nainkin (SA), 7-6, 6-4; S Matsuoka (Japan) bt R Weiss (US), 6-4, 6-4; R Ranseberg (US) bt M Knowles (US), 6-3, 6-2; A Krickstein bt A Agassi, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4.

MAHWAH, New Jersey: Women's tournament (US unless stated): Second round: L Raymond bt M Paz (Arg), 7-6, 6-3; M Pierce (Fr) bt S McCarthy, 6-0, 6-0. Quarter-finals: M J Fernandez bt P O'Reilly, 6-1, 6-1.


Krickstein: beat Agassi in Washington

### CROQUET

HURLINGHAM: British open championships, sixth day, singles third round: D L Goacher bt M E W Heap +4; -12; +8. Quarter-finals: R L Bamford bt R I Fulford +26TP; -2, +26Tp; C Clarke bt A Westerby +17TP, +26TP.

### YACHTING

FOWEY, Cornwall: Laser Two Fireberet national championship, Sixth race: 1, M Smew and D McNamara, 2, T Fitzpatrick and B Hugh; 3, N Sandison and V Taylor. Final positions: 1, D Ellis and J Denton; 2, R Ford and S Mestin; 3, S Craig and B O'Donoghue; 4, M Straw and D McNamara.

TEESSIDE TWO-MAN ROUND BRITAIN RACE: Overall: 1, Lekota (D Scully/S Fossett, US), 7 days 12hr 4min; 2, Severalles Challenge (B Thompson/H Darvald, GB) 9:21.30; 3, Enil (R Tolkein/P Foot, GB) 10:03.46; 4, QAB II (M Gastrousseau/I Carter, GB) 10.05.56.

CHRISTCHURCH: International Moth world championships: Seventh race: 1, E Lazich (Aus); 2, A Landenberger (Aus), 3, T Collyer (GB); 4, R Angel (GB); 5, T Webster (Aus); 6, S Payne (GB); 7, I Ward (Aus).

### GOLF

MOOR PARK: English boys under-18 strokeplay championships (Carris Trophy): Leading final scores: 285: J Harris (Nevill), 74, 70, 71, 70. 286: J Howell (Broome Manor), 79, 66, 74, 67. 287: G Hams (Broome Manor), 75, 74, 73, 65. B Sanzley (Exeter), 73, 74, 70, 70.

BOLTON: Lord Derby tournament: 67: C Smellie (North Manchester). 68: M Hezelden (Tilgate Forest), P Bennigon (Weston super-Mare), J Mellor (Worksop) 69: B Jackson (Purley Downs), A Crompton (Wigan Municipal), D Patterson (Stressholme), P Archer (Birchwood), R Wragg (Dore and Totley). 71: D Crak (Frilford Heath), A Northridge (Royal Mid-Surrey), F Clark (Hagley), A Fernday (Telford), D Jones (Leicestershire), C Cross (Chesterfield), D Brunton (Ringway), C Robinson (Moretown), I Taylor (Strathclyde Park DR), A Tait (Cawder).

LAUNCESTON: Golf foundation Weetabix age group championships: Regional final: Boys: Under-16: K Godfrey (St Enodoc), 75. Under-15: A Bicknell (Truro), 80. Under-14: A Freyne (St Mellion), 81. Under-13: S Godfrey (St Enodoc), 85. Girls: Under-16: G Dowling (Perranporth), 78. Under-15: N Bracey (Truro), 91. Under-14: L Dowling (Perranporth), 100.

SUTTON, Massachusetts: New England class: first round: (US unless stated): 63: B Clampett. 66: S Lowery. 67: P Azinger, R Fehr. 68: F Funk, M Calcavecchia, W Wood, P Jacobsen, B McCallister, J Sindelar.

TAKAYAMAMURA, Japan: Kose-Junon women's tournament: first-round: (Japanese unless stated): 70: T Yu-chuen (Tai), 71: T Kimura, A Yamaoka. 72: M Hirase, K Hiyoshi, M Shimabukuro, C Yamashita, A Ohshiro, H Inoue, I Ohta, A Yamamura, M Endo, Y Koike.

PYLE: Welsh Boys championship: Semi-finals: M R Davies (Penarth) bt O Griffiths (Cardiff), 1 hole; S M Reybould (Pontypridd) bt P Hugget (Shifnal), 3 and 2. Final: Davies bt Reybould, 3 and 2.

NOORDWIJK: Dutch Open, Early leading scores (GB and Ire unless stated). 137: R Rafferty 70, 67; 139: J Cocores (Arg) 70, 69; C Mason 68, 71; R Drummond 70, 69; A Sorensen (Den) 69, 70; 140: D A Russell 75, 65; G Evans 71, 69; L Janzon (US), 72, 68. 141: C Montgomerie 73; J Besanoi (Arg), 73, 68; S Torrance 69, 72; S Tinning (Den), 70, 71; I Woosnam 70, 71; M Roe 71, 70; 142: V Singh (Fiji) 70, 72; D Smyth 71, 71, J Pamevik (Swe), 71, 71; M Jimenez (Sp) 74, 68; B Langer (Ger), 74, 68; G Brand Jr, 72 70.

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## SPORT IN BRIEF

# Novotna yields to nerves once again

JANA Novotna, who allowed the biggest opportunity of her tennis career to slip away at Wimbledon earlier this month, lost her nerve under pressure again in Frankfurt yesterday, losing to Nathalie Tauziat as Czechoslovakia lost to France in the Federation Cup semi-finals.

Novotna, who gave away a 4-1 final-set lead against Steffi Graf in the Wimbledon final, served a critical double fault at 3-3, 30-all in the deciding set and Tauziat subsequently took a 4-3 lead. The world No 8 double-faulted again on match point to give Tauziat a 6-1, 0-6, 6-3 victory, which gave France a winning 2-0 lead, taking them into the final for the first time in 18 years. Julie Halard had earlier sowed the seeds for the French triumph when she upset Helena Sukova 7-6, 6-4 in the opening rubber.

In the semi-final, scheduled for today, France will meet Spain, the top seeds who defeated Holland 2-0 after winning both singles. Argentina and Australia, who won through their quarter-finals on Thursday, will contest the other semi-final.

# Asher does uncle proud

WATER SKIING: Britain had a day of mixed fortunes at the European junior and dauphin championships in Rome yesterday. Having qualified for two finals, Marie Toms suffered a nasty fall in the trick event and dislocated a shoulder. Knowing the team would be under pressure to keep their lead in her absence, Tom Asher, 12, won the first round of the jumping and tricks for boys under 14. Asher, trained by his uncle, Mike Hazelwood, has a lead of 300 points in the overall. Vicky Campbell, 15, qualified in fourth place for the slalom final while her brother, Glen, is in the gold-medal position in the boys' category.

RESULTS: Dauphin boys' overall: 1, T Asher (GB), 2,478pts, 2, M Pave (It), 2,170, 3, M Grifowen (SA), 2,070, 5, D Sherman (GB), 1,830. Dauphin boys' jump: 1, Asher 30.6 metres, 2, L Mazza (It), 29.0, 3, J Preez (SA), 27.6; 6, Sherman, 26.7. Dauphin boys' tricks: 1, Asher 5,040pts. 2, Pave, 4,700; 3, R Sauda (Czech), 4,430; 8, Sherman, 2,420

# Woosnam finds form

GOLF: Ian Woosnam defied a swirling wind to move into contention at the Heineken Dutch Open yesterday but said he was still concerned by his putting problems. The Welshman missed a couple of short putts near the end of his second round at Noordwijk, finishing with a 70 and 36-hole total of 141, but was content with one of only a handful of sub-70 rounds on a difficult day. He lies four strokes behind the leader, Ronan Rafferty, of Ireland, who enjoyed the best of the weather in adding a 70 to his opening 67. A group of four players, Carl Mason, Ross Drummond, Anders Sorensen, of Denmark, and Jose Coceres, of Argentina, share second place on 139.

# Fulford's rally in vain

CROQUET: Reg Bamford, of South Africa, knocked out the world champion, Robert Fulford, in a thrilling quarter-final at the British Open championships at Hurlingham yesterday. Bamford won the first game easily and looked on course for a similar win in the second when he pegged out one of Fulford's balls and one of his own, leaving Fulford to make 12 hoops to Bamford's six. But the champion played brilliantly to win in a tight finish. His recovery was to no avail, however, as Bamford won the third game in some style. In his win over the young New Zealand player, Aaron Westerby, Chris Clarke recorded his sixth triple peel in three matches.

# Connolly agrees terms

RUGBY LEAGUE: Gary Connolly, right, the Great Britain rugby league centre, yesterday signed a five-year deal worth £250,000 to play for Wigan.



However, the Rugby Football League told Wigan itwould not sanction staggered payments to St Helens for the player, ruling that an initial payment of half the transfer fee must be made before the deal can go ahead.

# Blissett finally signs

FOOTBALL: Wimbledon completed the signing of Gary Blissett, the Brentford striker, yesterday for £350,000. The fee for Blissett was decided earlier this week by a tribunal — Brentford had wanted £1 million for the former Altrincham and Crewe Alexandra player — but a contractual problem delayed the signing. Simon Webster, the defender who joined West Ham from Charlton this summer for £525,000, may be playing before the end of the season after all despite breaking a leg in two places in a training accident. Webster has had a steel pin inserted in his right heel and the leg will be in traction for at least 48 hours. "Those 48 hours will be vital," John Green, the West Ham physiotherapist, said.

# Scotland miss chances

HOCKEY: Scotland's attempt to qualify for a place in the finals of the women's World Cup in Dublin next year came to an end in Philadelphia yesterday when they lost 1-0 to India in the match to decide the fifth qualification place. Scotland, well below their best throughout the Inter-Continental Cup competition over the past ten days, went down to a goal scored by Marginder Canar following a penalty corner just before half-time. Scotland's two best chances fell to Wendy Fraser, who missed from four yards, and Rhona Simpson, who failed to get in a shot following her side's eighth penalty corner when the Indian defence seemed in disarray.

# Women get FA vote

FOOTBALL: Julie Hemsley, 34, was yesterday elected as the first woman member of the powerful Football Association Council. Hemsley, who works for Brighton and Hove Albion on their "football in the community" scheme, is undaunted at the prospect. "I suppose I am a pioneer but I'm happy and excited about it rather than worried," she said. "I'm not sure how the other council members [most over pensionable age] will react but everything will be new to me." The former England international will represent the Women's Football Alliance as the 88th member of the council. Women's football comes directly under the jurisdiction of the FA this season.

# Resignations hit Bath

RUGBY UNION: Bath, the Courage League champions, have lost two senior committee men after an acrimonious annual general meeting. The treasurer, Colin Gale, and the fund-raising chairman, Doug Ryder, quit after the chairman, John Gaynor, survived an attempt to oust him. It was the latest in a series of backroom disputes at the club. Gaynor, whose predecessor as chairman was forced from the post last September, won a secret ballot ahead of the vice-chairman, Lang Jones, who had been proposed by Gale and seconded by Ryder. Before the vote, Gaynor told around 400 members that he and Gale had "serious policy differences" over management information and budgeting.

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ENGLAND'S YOUNG GENERATION SUGGESTS BRIGHT FUTURE

## Briton ponders future after record

BY PETER BRYAN

CHRIS Boardman, the Olympic 4,000 metres pursuit champion, stole the limelight when the eighteenth stage of the Tour de France finished in Bordeaux yesterday afternoon. Three hours earlier, Boardman, the English rider from Hoylake, became the second Briton within a week to break the world one-hour unpaced track record on the La Lac Vélodrome.

He covered 52.27km in his 60-minute ride, adding nearly 700 metres to Graham Obree's record set at Hamar, Norway, last Saturday. Boardman was invited on to the tour winner's podium alongside Miguel Induráin, the Tour's leader, and awarded the accolade "man of the day".

"It was the most moving moment of my career," Boardman said. "The Barcelona Olympics were wonderful, but to be up there with Induráin yesterday was a memory I will treasure.'

Boardman sees a professional career as the next step. It appears some of Europe's shrewdest team managers think similarly. Within minutes of breaking the record, Boardman had two offers to turn professional immediately.

He is unlikely to make any quick decisions. He knows it will mean concentrating on road racing rather than track events, but that is not too much of a problem. What he wants to avoid is having to make a permanent base abroad: "If I can find a team whose programme will allow me to commute to mainland Europe from Manchester or Liverpool, that will be fine," he said.

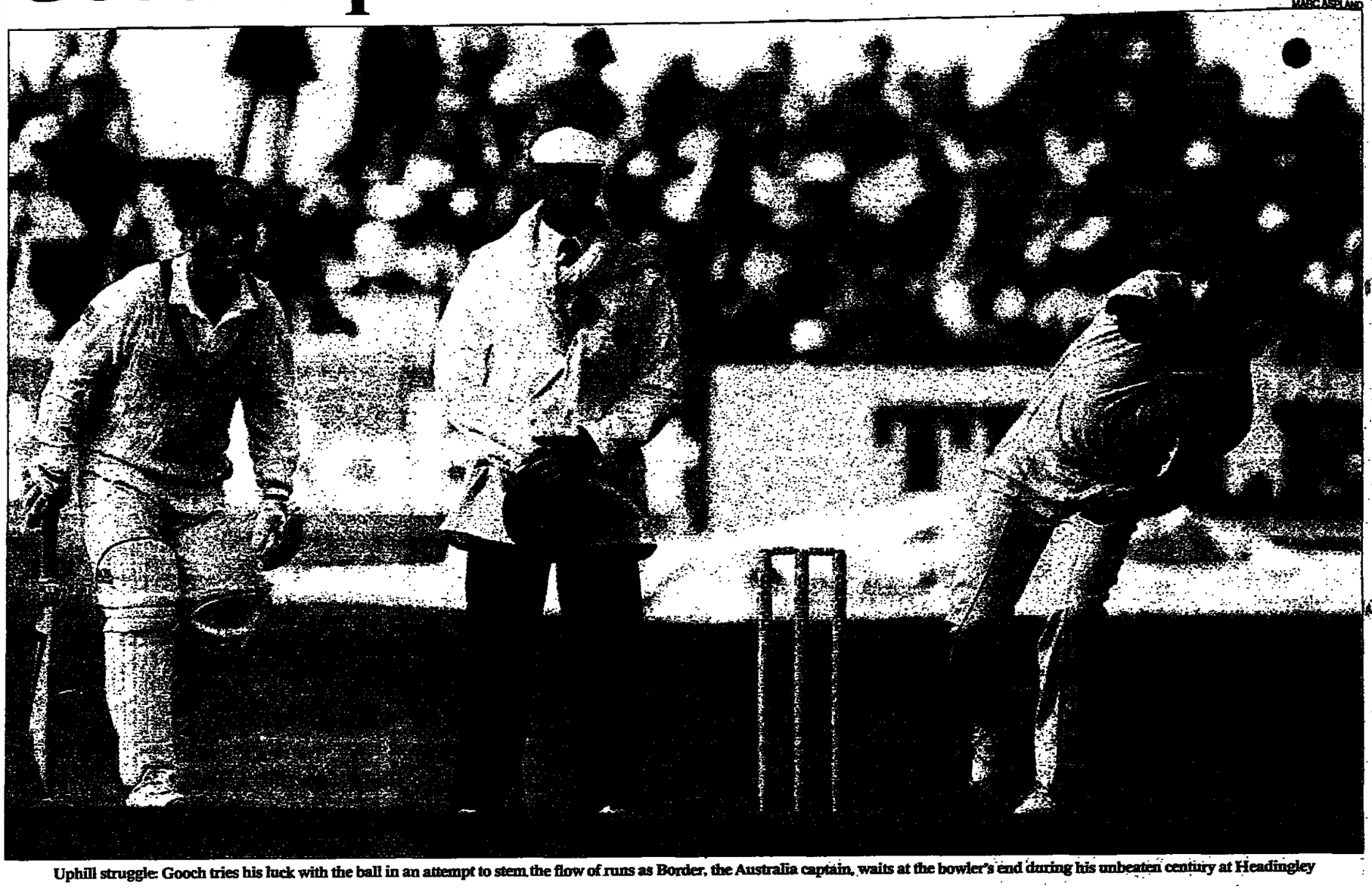
Boardman will stay on in France until Tuesday to test another machine and assess whether it will be suitable for him to ride in next month's world pursuit championship in Norway, which, for the first time, will be open to amateurs and professionals.

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### Border and Waugh pile on the agony for England with partnership of 292

# Gooch's quest for Ashes turns to dust

MARC ASPLAND



Uphill struggle: Gooch tries his luck with the ball in an attempt to stem the flow of runs as Border, the Australia captain, waits at the bowler's end during his unbeaten century at Headingley

BY ALAN LEE, CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

*HEADINGLEY (second day of five): Australia have scored 613 for four wickets against England*

THE Ashes passed out of England's reach during the fourth Test match yesterday and, for their beleaguered captain, the timing could not have been crueller. Graham Gooch spent his fortieth birthday in purgatory, trudging disconsolately around Headingley as his opposite number, Allan Border, completed the systematic destruction of England's falsely raised hopes.

Border batted all day, scoring his 26th Test century and his first against England since 1987; the second double-hundred of his 145-Test career beckons this morning, if he wishes to prolong England's agony that long. There was a century, too, for Steve Waugh as Australia gorged themselves, overtaking their record 601 for seven on this ground during the last tour with 613 for four.

All in the Australia side bar Border, who has seen the capricious side of the place, must be wondering what on earth the Headingley notoriety is all about. "The Headingley hoodoo has hung over everyone's heads," Border said later. "It was really important we got stuck in here."

England's attack, if the word can be credited to bowling which was pedestrian and one-dimensional, if admirably willing, managed one wicket in the first session and none in the other two. By the close, Border and Waugh had put on 292, second only to the 405 shared by Bradman and Barnes at Sydney in 1946-7 among fifth-wicket stands for Australia. Waugh gave one chance, on 126, when he was dropped at slip by Atherton. Border gave none.

This pitch has behaved like a reformed offender when all of England was praying it would show itself as a compulsive criminal. But if its benign nature has made for a one-sided two days, nothing has been more depressing for English followers than the fear that it might all look rather less accommodating when Merv Hughes and Shane Warne have the ball in their hands. England were a weary and dispirited side last evening and it is a different proposition facing a total of 600 than making one.

The public had so lost faith yesterday that when Sporting Index, the bookmakers, chalked up 520 as Australia's likely total, a flood of punters' money told them they had underestimated. And so they had, though as the batsmen existed precariously through the first hour, it did not necessarily seem so.

David Boon had added only five to his overnight 102 when he was out in the sixth over of the day. As with the three first-day wickets, there was a degree of donation about it. Boon's arrogant leg-side waft suggesting he had almost tired of toying with the bowlers, but it was a third wicket for the persevering Ilott and both he and Bicknell could have had more as Gooch entrusted them with the ball for almost the entire session.

Under dark clouds and in humid conditions, the ball did move about more than on Thursday, and Waugh, in particular, lived on his luck and his steely nerve. After an hour, Bicknell was within an inch of bowling him off the inside edge before twice beating the outside edge by a hair's-breadth.

Waugh's weakness is an uncertain technique against the short ball. If McCague had only one duty to perform yesterday it was to exploit this, yet he failed to deliver. By mid-afternoon, with figures of nought for 115, he had left the field nursing a sore back.

Gooch began a spell himself, wobbling the ball around off his plodding approach and occasionally raising his eyebrows when Border treated him with exaggerated respect. From the pavilion end, Caddick was profligate, though once he had Waugh in two minds, chipping just short of mid-on. Gooch himself was the unfortunate fielder left grovelling fruitlessly and symbolically on all fours.

Border was two short of his century when England hit upon the only effective means of frustrating him, throwing an out-of-shape ball to the umpires. One replacement was thrown back by Border, who spotted it had the wrong maker's name on it, and another had Gooch frowning discontentedly. The whole charade occupied many minutes but, to England's chagrin, did not disturb the Australian captain. His century was reached with the trademark Border stroke, the cover drive thrust into the gap with a lunging stride, and he threw both arms above his head in celebration.

It was a performance of some consequence for Border. The timing of his retirement is concerning him more than a little but he has no desire to go while he can compete at this level. Good pitch or not, yesterday's innings was a masterpiece worthy of the man.

By the close, Ilott and Bicknell had shared 89 overs, Graham Thorpe had bowled six in two rare spells — it was off his gentle medium pace that Waugh was dropped — and 16 overs from the middle-aged captain meant that Gooch will have spent the first part of his birthday evening soaking aching joints in the bath.

He will probably have spent the rest of it trying to keep his mind on the initial job, which is now to save this Test and keep the series — though not the Ashes — alive. He will not have been human, though, if the significance of the situation escaped him. Some time on Monday he will be asked if he intends to see out his contract as England captain. If things go badly between now and then, the overwhelming temptation will be to say no.

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Australia won toss

AUSTRALIA: First Innings

| | | 6s | 4s | Min | Ball |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| M J Slater b Ilott | 67 | - | 8 | 139 | 103 |
| *played across straight ball* | | | | | |
| M A Taylor lbw b Bicknell | 27 | - | 4 | 98 | 62 |
| *turning ball to leg* | | | | | |
| D C Boon lbw b Ilott | 107 | - | 17 | 313 | 225 |
| *pushing across the line* | | | | | |
| M E Waugh b Ilott | 52 | - | 6 | 112 | 75 |
| *shouldering arms, ball clipped off stump* | | | | | |
| *A R Border not out | 175 | - | 24 | 509 | 363 |
| S R Waugh not out | 144 | - | 18 | 349 | 282 |
| Extras (b 8, lb 21, w 4, nb 8) | 41 | | | | |
| Total (4 wkts, 763min, 180 overs) | 613 | | | | |

†I A Healy, P R Reiffel, M G Hughes, S K Warne and T B A May to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-86 (Slater 52), 2-110 (Boon 8), 3-216 (Boon 57), 4-321 (Border 43).

BOWLING: McCague 28-2-115-0 (nb 2, w 1) (3-0-15-0, 6-0-28-0, 4-0-23-0, 3-0-11-0, 5-0-22-0, 7-2-16-0); Ilott 45-8-145-3 (w 2) (6-1-22-0, 7-0-25-1, 6-3-8-1, 4-1-11-0, 9-3-27-1, 5-0-24-0, 5-1-19-0, 3-0-11-0); Caddick 41-5-135-0 (nb 3) (6-1-10-0, 5-0-25-0, 9-2-26-0, 1-0-2-0, 4-1-10-0, 5-0-25-0, 3-1-11-0, 3-0-13-0, 5-0-13-0); Bicknell 44-8-135-1 (nb 5) (11-1-36-1, 6-1-18-0, 4-2-9-0, 10-1-37-0, 3-0-11-0, 6-3-11-0, 4-0-13-0); Gooch 16-5-40-0 (w 1) (5-3-5-0, 1-0-3-0, 6-2-17-0, 1-0-2-0, 3-0-13-0); Thorpe 6-1-14-0 (3-1-7-0, 3-0-7-0).

INTERMEDIATE SCORES: Overnight: 307-3 (Boon 102, Border 38) in 90 overs. Second day: 350 in 458min, 106.1 overs. Lunch at 388-4 (Border 75, S Waugh 37) in 118 overs. 400 in 514min, 119.3 overs; 450 in 561min, 131.4 overs. Rain stopped play at 3.28pm (tea taken early at 492-4, Border 115, S Waugh 93) in 144.3 overs. 500 in 631min, 148.2 overs. Rain stopped play, 4.15 to 4.25. 550 in 689min, 162 overs. New ball at 587-4 after 171.3 overs. 600 in 742min, 175.2 overs.

Border: 50 in 173min, 124 balls, 7 fours; 100 in 324min, 222 balls, 13 fours; 150 in 446min, 308 balls, 22 fours. S Waugh: 50 in 113min, 87 balls, 7 fours; 100 in 237 mins, 187 balls, 14 fours.

ENGLAND: M N Lathwell, M A Atherton, R A Smith, †A J Stewart, *G A Gooch, G P Thorpe, N Hussain, A R Caddick, M J McCague, M C Ilott and M P Bicknell.

Umpires: H D Bird and N T Plews.

TV replay umpire: B Leadbeater.

Match referee: C H Lloyd.

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| 606-9d | India | Oval | 1990 |
| 518 | Australia | Sydney | 1990-1 |
| 505-9d | Pakistan | Manchester | 1992 |
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## Gruelling day puts years on the birthday boy



**Andrew Longmore** looks at the contrasting fortunes of the two captains in the fourth Test

THE viewer who rang the BBC to complain about a shot of Graham Gooch yawning just before lunch was lucky to spy any form of human life at Headingley yesterday. By mid-afternoon, the fourth Test match had assumed an air of ritual usually reserved for the last day of a stalemate. The milestones of humiliation and embarrassment had whistled by, along with a number of Australian records, and Gooch had adopted the perplexed demeanour of the captain of an occasional club Sunday XI. "Does anyone else bowl?"

Graham Thorpe, young and still learning the game, failed to take the necessary step back and found himself drummed into action as a stop-gap bowler in his second Test, which, for all the honest endeavour, was an apt summary of the England bowling. Faith in youth is all very well, but a total of five Test caps between the four-man England attack smacked of desperation even before the start. Peter Such, left out of the side on Thursday, should count himself the lucky one.

There were certainly plenty of gaps to be stopped. But only a lengthy discussion about the state of the ball, which involved six people — three umpires, two captains and Caddick — and would have constituted loitering with intent had there been any intent in the England camp at the time, momentarily stemmed the flow of runs from Steve Waugh and Border.

On the visitors' balcony, deliberations over *The Sun* puzzlers were interrupted by acclaim for the eighth and ninth Australian centuries of the series. England's hidden word, beginning with "w" and ending in "t", six letters, was easier to unravel.

Poor Gooch. Whatever his faults in the PR department, however irritating his moroseness at times, he deserved a less painful introduction to middle age than this. Watching his opposite number and old Essex team-mate score a sprightly century was not the celebration Gooch had in mind on his fortieth birthday. At the start of the day, Border was three years younger than Gooch. By the close, they were generations apart.

While Border's spirits have been revived by his young side, Gooch's have been worn down by old and young alike and, at some private moment yesterday, if he had not mentally borrowed Botham's "Gone Fishing" sign long ago, he must surely have decided that enough was enough. The Ashes are lost for another 18 months and with them Gooch's last dream of glory.

He might yet make his traditional Headingley century, but there is surely no point in hanging on to the captaincy just for the sake of it and his occasional midwicket discussions with Stewart and Atherton gave some hint about the line of succession. Given the short-term memory of the England selectors, a century by either over the weekend could tilt the balance their way.

In contrast to Gooch, Border enjoyed his day hugely, punching, deflecting, scurrying as if he was making his first Test runs, not closing on his 11,000th. His zest for the game — or is it simply for winning? — is apparent not just in some vigorous language which has upset the authorities in recent months but in every gesture, every skip and every bristling, aggressive stride. Like Boon, his runs are made with belligerence and no flourish, elegance always subject to effect. But rarely in his international career, which began in earnest with a century against Pakistan in his fourth Test 15 years ago, can he have found runs so easy to come by. Like a birthday, in fact. "I really enjoyed it out there," Border said. "I haven't had the pleasure of batting all day and being tired at the end of it for a long time now. It still feels good." And any message of sympathy for the beleaguered Gooch? "Life begins at 40."

With some sense of timing, the 600 came up at exactly 6pm, and the final historic scoreboard was recorded for posterity by the camera of Merv Hughes. But, doubtless, the armchair critic had long since switched channels in despair.

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# Poetry in sheep's clothing



Thanks to *Times* readers, dagging is no longer the unsung chore of the farming year, says **Paul Heiney**



Our cultural heritage is about to take a step forward — I think. As I mentioned a few weeks ago, all the major hurdles in the traditional farming year are celebrated in song, with one exception. We sing of the plough and the jolly fellows who steer it. We sing songs of praise for the harvest home, the ploughing of the fields and the scattering of the seed, the barley mow. But never do we break into rhyme to celebrate the essential shepherding task of dagging sheep.

There is a certain hypocrisy in all this: we are happy to sanctify the shepherd as a wise and caring man in everything from the twenty-third Psalm to "Little Bo Peep", but when it comes to this most vital task, we prefer to hold our noses, turn our backs and let *him* get on with it.

Well, that all changes from now. We have immersed ourselves in your entries for the first ever National Sheep Dagging Song Contest. You have responded with inspirational vigour to my plea for dagging songs and ballads; and although it is a subject which is never going to find itself at the heart of a West End musical, your efforts have elevated it to a level of dignity never before attained.

For those who do not know, or would rather forget, dagging is cutting away from the rear end of the sheep the matted mess which would otherwise attract the dreaded blow-fly. Not a job for the squeamish, nor one that has inspired many cultures to song. Except, apparently, the Maoris, who Gillian Casey tells me have a song which goes:

*Haeri [pron: highree] go crutchie the sheep,*
*The fliger — the dagger — the heap!*
*The sheep they go clean,*
*The men they go green*
*Haeri go crutchie the sheep.*

New Zealand, *un point!* Next, I have gathered in eminent judges for your entries. My wife brings an Oxford scholar's view; we have an American lad called Bill working on the farm who comes from Kentucky, and he can spot a folksy ditty a mile off providing you can set it to a twangy guitar. Me, I know what can and cannot be sung after a day's haymaking with five pints in the belly.

The entries, like most songs on the theme of rural ways, seem to fall into three categories. Of the ones in the manner of Rambling Sid Rumpo, brimming with nudge-nudge and wink-wink, here is a stunner from Maura Coghlan, of Bognor Regis:

*In our end is our beginning:*
*This is where the lambs are born.*
*So the fleece round here needs trimming.*
*Come and have your bottoms shorn.*

Chorus

*Shepherds know the facts of life, lass.*
*Know the sheep cannot refuse*
*The fellow with the dagging knife, lass*
*Come join him midst the pretty ewes.*
*A sheep must eat, and what's been eaten*
*Must pass on e'er next she dine,*
*The shepherd's tool her rump will sweeten:*
*Why not let him sweeten thine . . .*

(And here we must censor a little, lest Miss Coghlan find herself shunned in Bognor.)

The other recurring theme in rural songs is heroism, and Paul Bush, of Chesterfield, deserves credit for blending heroism and humour with this decidedly wimpish and unfunny task. Try this one, with a hint of Stanley Holloway in the voice:

*A farmhand from yonder*
*Out tending his flock*
*Once chanced on a lion*
*I beg thee don't mock.*
*The lion roared out*
*And with only his knife,*
*The lad dagged the poor creature*
*And saved his own life.*

*He was feted by all*
*For his daring and nous,*
*And was set up for life*
*With a wife and a house.*
*He'd be asked, "Can a lion*
*Lie down with a lamb?"*
*He would say, "If it's dagged*
*It most certainly can."*

*He is spoke of in awe*
*By those who know his name.*
*'Twas his skill with the dagging*
*That brought him his fame.*
*They might scoff, those who can't*
*Tell a sheep from a cow.*
*He's revered by all*
*Who still follow the plough.*

We were united in the view that too many of them edged into that area previously occupied by the late Benny Hill. Rohan Platt, for example, writes:

*How many would tell me, and I do agree*
*That the bum of a sheep's not a nice thing to see*
*When it's sheared and it's naked, not woolly and bright*
*It looks like a poodle that's shaved out of spite.*

Geoffrey Wicks manages a skilful rhyming of the words knotty, grotty, wrench and stench. June Hasler brings an anatomical knowledge to her verse:

*If their bums are not hairless and pink as sloe gin*
*Then the blow-fly's ovipositor for sure will plunge in.*

We could not read Jacquie Vigus's entry without slipping into a Betjeman drawl:



*Oh come with me my own sweet ducky*
*The Lower Field ewes appear to be mucky.*

You might like to know that after this less than promising start, the shepherd gets his girl in the end. So does the Suffolk Dagman, celebrated by Gillian Judd.

In a work which we all thought was of the highest literary standard, Mrs Pool of Ilfracombe managed to get in a gardening tip as well:

*Sing to the fair white panti-fringe.*
*That rings the rump of the dagged ewe,*
*Rejoice in the strike-free pristine tinge;*
*It will soon revert to its normal hue.*
*Rejoice in the pile of daggings rich*
*That strewn in the depths of a double-dug ditch*
*Will nurture beans of fantastic size . . .*

Good value, that one.

Now let me tell you of the Grand Prize. You may go "ooh" and "aah" as I announce that Messrs Burgon and Ball of Sheffield, makers of hand-crafted sheep shears, have donated an example of their finest work.

Should it be that the winner is fortunate enough not to own any sheep, or the cat will not sit still long enough for them to practise dagging on her, they have a domestic version of their shears which they claim are ideal for kitchen use. They promise me that the shears, intended for bacon-trimming, have not served their apprenticeship round any woolly nether regions.

Not a single entry lacked virtue of some kind or other: the difficulty was in deciding which stood head and shoulders (or tail and rump) above the others.

*Bill was looking for something* he could set to the bluegrass guitar. My wife, who was once a judge for the Booker Prize, tells me judges always end up with three finalists anyway, and become enemies for life after fighting over them. I was relying on the five-pint test.

But now, with a fanfare, my soiled fingers fumble with the envelope which contains the winner's name. And it is . . . Robin Butler, a shepherdess from Ramsden in Oxfordshire.

Ms Butler has set her words to the tune of *The Archers* and I would ask you now, whatever you are doing and wherever you might be, to put inhibition to one side and sing out loud. Well done, Robin. The unpleasant but necessary task of sheep-dagging has been elevated to new levels. It has joined the plough, the barley mow, the sheaves and the corn as abiding images of the rural scene.

So, all together now: *tum-ti tum-ti* tum-ti tum, tum-ti tum-ti tum tum . . .

*Dagging time is here again,*
*Sharpen up your shears-oh,*
*Drive the ewes and hoggets in,*
*Pen them tight in the yard.*
*Check every botty — they're dreadfully grotty,*
*This session is going to be hard.*

Chorus:

*Hours of muck and toil and sweat*
*Till the dagging is done.*

*Dagging is a dirty chore*
*Struggle with the shears-oh,*
*Tempers fray and backs get sore*
*Bending over the tails.*
*Matted dank fleeces are ultra-cohesive*
*They dry into lumps hard as nails.*

Chorus:

*Hours of muck and toil and sweat,*
*While the dagging is done.*

*Dagging's over till next year,*
*Wipe the filthy shears-oh,*
*Bums are cropped and clean and clear,*
*Straggly dags on the ground.*
*As we scrub our hands clean the brown slurry runs green*
*But the powerful smell hangs around.*

Chorus:

*Hours of muck and toil and sweat*
*But now the dagging is done.*



# Coming to the aid of the party

WEEKEND VOICE: Mary Killen



Last Saturday I attended a party in Norfolk. Social excitement throbbed inside the house and in the dancing tent, but for me the medium-sized bonfire in the garden was the party's best attraction. Around it bales of hay had been arranged as benches, and these were in constant occupation as a sequence of hypnotised guests stared silently into the flames.

At the postmortem the following day a discussion raged about whether or not it had been a good idea to provide this mesmerising beacon for guests to sit at in unparty-like trances. Few hostesses enjoy their own parties, but for many the concrete proof that their guests are enjoying themselves comes when the entire company is overwhelmed by dancing fever and takes to the floor.

"The dancing tent wasn't very full," said the hostess. "Do you think the bonfire made people too lazy to dance?"

"Yes, it probably did," I answered, speaking as one it had affected in that way. "But it was perfect for people who were feeling gauche because it meant they could legitimately sit at it saying nothing."

"No one felt gauche, did they?" shouted the host.

"Don't most people feel gauche at parties?" I answered, before suddenly realising that I was "projecting". Having had so many embarrassing party experiences myself, I have come to associate all parties with embarrassment.

For the other guests, gaucheness was not a problem. A man next to me gave his account of the party he had been to the night before to celebrate Mick Jagger's fiftieth birthday.

Un-overwhelmed by the satanic majesty of the company, this rather chubby auctioneer's attitude was, if anything, impertinent.

"I was standing there when Keith Richards came stumbling past me," he drawled. "He said: 'Has anyone seen Ronnie Wood?'

"I said: 'Ronnie Wood . . . Ronnie Wood . . . No. Not since the Sixties.'" In fact, I had witnessed only one display of gaucheness the previous night. An adolescent boy had fallen backwards off a hay bale and lain with his legs in the air, at 90 degrees to the ground, for ten minutes or so. It was clear that the wholesome little chap had simply been doing a lot of swallowing for want of having anything else to do with his mouth, such as talking, and had had one too many. The other adults around the fire were simply tired of talking, listening and, presumably, bracing their postures so as to look thinner, like me.

My first experience of party embarrassment came when I attended a children's party, aged four. One little girl's mother dropped her off in her Andy Pandy costume but did not come into the party herself to see that she had misunderstood the invitation and it was not in fact "fancy dress".

The little girl had to suffer in her Andy Pandy outfit for two hours. She told me when we were older she had never got over it.

Then there was the party I went to in adolescence, when a boy I was talking to in a first-floor drawing room was overwhelmed by a desire to be sick. He rushed to the French windows and threw them open to be sick over the balcony into the garden. I couldn't understand what was happening at first. Then we saw the window was double glazed.

My mother-in-law blushed for about two years after trying to impress her host at her own first dance. He was a university professor of whom she enquired brightly: "Have you read *Go-eth* by Faust?"

And one of my own cousins never married as a direct result of going to a party. "Why is Tom not married?" I asked my mother when I was small. Tom was about 50 at the time. The answer she gave was heartbreaking in its poignancy.

"Oh, a terrible thing happened," said my mother. "He was only 17 and he was invited to a party by some smart cousins in Dublin.

"He had never been to a dance before and, you know, he was only a callow youth with no small talk in him, but he was made to go to represent the family.

"It was a big dance with spotlights going around the room, and whenever the music stopped the spotlight stopped too, and whoever the spotlight was on had to make a speech.

"And it stopped on Tom," she said shuddering with compassion. "And he never married."

Even the most uncallow and sophisticated of youths or youthesses, however, can be stricken by party paralysis. In one case a girl I know was given a surprise lift in a private plane by a James Bond-style man of her acquaintance, the father of one of her friends.

They flew from the far north of England to the near south and on arrival at his house, where she had been invited by him to stay the night, she found her friend hosting a dinner party for 30 which was to be followed by a dance to which she had not been invited.

The 30 people, all of whom she knew, were already sitting at the table in black tie waiting to eat when she came into the room. She had to go around double kissing each of them in greeting. It still makes me blush on her behalf to think of it.

No wonder I think parties with bonfires are such a good idea.

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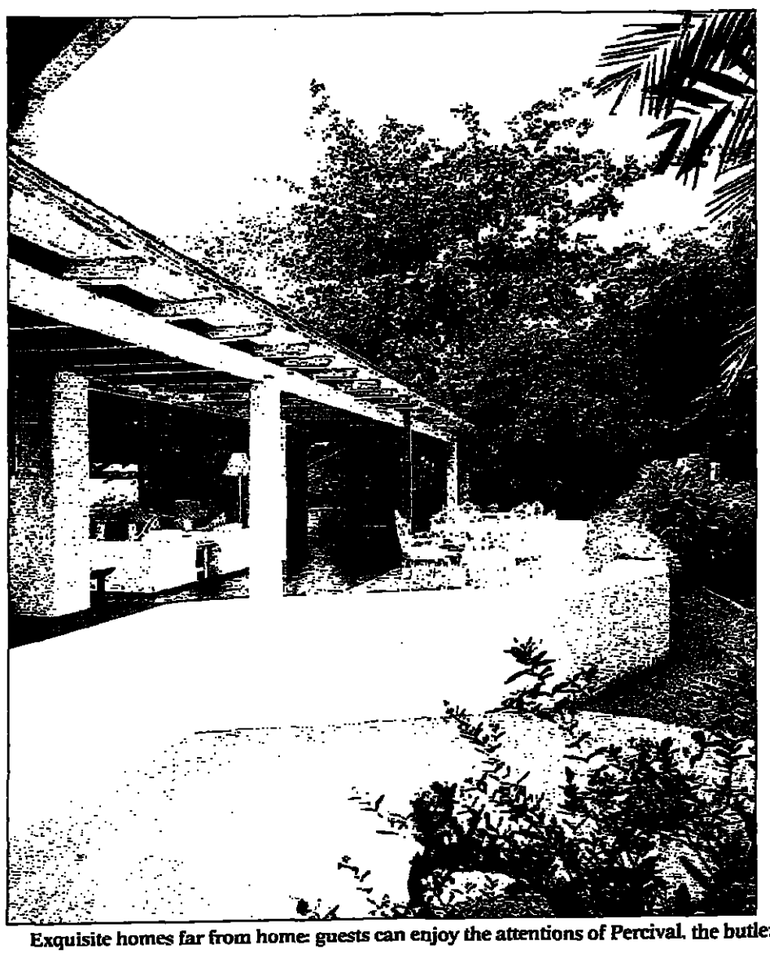
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You don't have to be a millionaire to live in luxury, says **Brigid Callaghan** after holidaying in rented Caribbean villas





Exquisite homes far from home: guests can enjoy the attentions of Percival, the butler, at the Landmark villa in Barbados's Sandy Lane (left), or use the walk-in showers and wardrobe-sized fridges at Morningstar Villa on Tortola

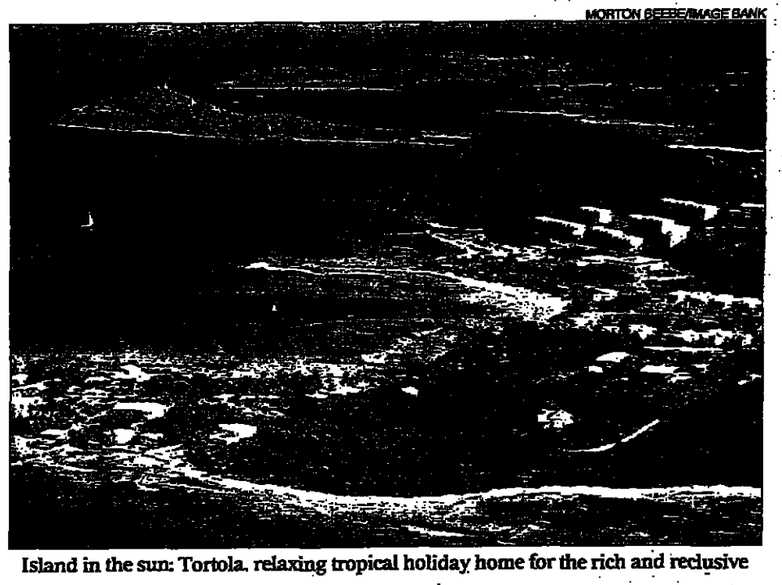
# Bask in the sun and let the butler take the strain

Let's play *Through the Keyhole*. Who might own a five-bedroom, two-swimming-pool, Balinese-ish property in the British Virgin Islands, with a large, if not exciting, record, tape and CD collection in the "multimedia room", an outdoor Jacuzzi, five showers all with possibilities for the exhibitionist, and two framed menus (in French) from the Connaught Restaurant and Grill Room on the wall opposite the lavatory in the master bedroom?

The music collection is a clue, but the mystery owner is *not* Richard Branson. It is Terry Ellis. Mr Ellis has much in common with Mr Branson, except his visibility. Like the Virgin Atlantic boss, Mr Ellis made his millions in the record industry. In the late 1960s, *with Chris Wright*, he set up Chrysalis records — "ChrisEllis" — and, like Mr Branson, decided to invest some of his fortune in the British Virgin Islands, a group of more than 50 Caribbean *islands that form the north*-western extremity of the Leewards, some 60 miles east of Puerto Rico. But where Mr Branson and the visitors to his home on the BVI's Necker Island, which he owns, are *high profile, Mr Ellis is low* key, and has only recently decided to share his house on Tortola with the renting holidaymaker.

He bought his plot of land 13 years ago and hired the architect *Michael Holm to build* Morningstar Villa on one of the green, volcanic hills 1,200ft above Cane Garden Beach, on the western side of the Virgins' largest island.

Eventually, it seems, the *holidays from America*, where Mr Ellis now lives, became less frequent. Morningstar stood empty for several years until its owner decided to rent it out. The house, together with a cook, maid and gardener, *is now* available for about £7,300 a week low season (in high season it rises to £8,700). Flights, food and car hire are extra. Who can afford all this?



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Island in the sun: Tortola, relaxing tropical holiday home for the rich and reclusive

Compare the cost of staying at Morningstar, which sleeps *ten, with the cost of staying at* the Bitter End resort on nearby Virgin Gorda. If flights, at approximately £700 per person in the low season, are added, the cost per person for a Morningstar week would be *about £1,380. At Bitter End*, one week costs £1,582 per person (low season). This includes flights, full board, a four-hour sailing class, introduction to scuba, and other watersports. The cottage rooms, *scattered through gardens rising up a hill*, are modern, attractive, spacious and comfortable, but cannot compete for privacy and luxury with staying in a millionaire's home.

In Mr Ellis's house you can discuss breakfast, lunch and dinner menus with the cook (the description does not do her justice: Priscilla is a former chef to the infamous — Leona Helmsley — and the owner of the Paradise Pub in Tortola's capital, Road Town), or leave it all to her, or help yourself from one of the two wardrobe-sized fridges. You can sit at dusk on the deck of one of the three double-bedroom and bathroom cottages *in the grounds* and look out to the island of Jost van Dyke, and hear nothing but the "whistling" (tree) frogs. Two of the cottages were designed by John Osmond, the architect of Mr Branson's Necker Island Balinese long-house. You can have a swimming pool to *yourself, or bathe with a friend* — or several friends — in the *master* bedroom's sunken bath.

The bathing possibilites are so seductive that visitors will have to swap rooms and try *them all: the leisure-centre*-sized walk-in showers look out on to the gardens through uncurtained floor to ceiling windows; the one in the twin-bedded apartment below the sitting room is Stone Age, carved out of the rock around which the house is built.

You can sit on the white sofas that frame the white-tented room on the top floor which houses the video, giant television, CD and tape player *and record deck, and thumb* through the record collection.

Even with all of this, Morningstar does not make it into Caribbean Connection's "super deluxe" (five-star) category, which is reserved for villas such as the Great House at St Peter in Barbados, with eight bedrooms and bathrooms, a boatman and a laundress among the staff and a price tag of £12,700 per week, low season.

But who needs the laundress? Stay at the Landmark villa on Barbados's famous Sandy Lane estate and the maid will do your laundry for you anyway. This, like Mr Ellis's house, ranks as a four-star "deluxe" villa: *four* double bedrooms, each with its own bathroom, an enormous sitting room open to the garden, a pavilioned dining room, a cook, maid, gardener and — best of all — Percival, the butler, who has catered to the needs of holidaymakers far *more famous than you but will* not rub it in.

This house luxuriates on one of the best beaches on the island. It is a wide strip of sand backed by palms and broad-leafed cacti and, in low season, *is pleasantly busy, entertain*-ing rather than annoying. Sitting on sunloungers on your private bit of sand you will still be approached by young men offering to massage your feet or trying to sell you aloe vera, not in a bottle, in a plant. Young women try to persuade anyone other than the crop-headed to experience the "Bo Derek look".

An early morning stroll in your swimsuit will take you past several famous hotels as *well as spectacular private* houses. At this time of day Bajans are walking the dog or, rather, swimming the dog. The large animals frolicking in the surf with their owners look very like pit-bulls; sunlight lends them a peculiar charm, it almost looks like fun.

After dark, tourists are not encouraged to walk on the beach. On an evening visit to the Sandy Lane Hotel, about 300 yards away, we were accompanied by the estate's night security guard. Despite this, and the fact that the villa has panic buttons in every bedroom, the impression is that these are precautionary, not necessary, measures.

*The low season cost of a villa* on Barbados — rental of £3,827 a week, flights at approximately £600 return — also compares favourably with a luxury hotel. If eight stay at the villa it will cost approxi*mately £1,080 per person; the* cost of a week at the Sandy Lane Hotel is £1,854 per person. This is in the low season on a room-only basis, in the top-of-the-range ocean view suite, and includes flights, transfers and watersports. But not a butler.

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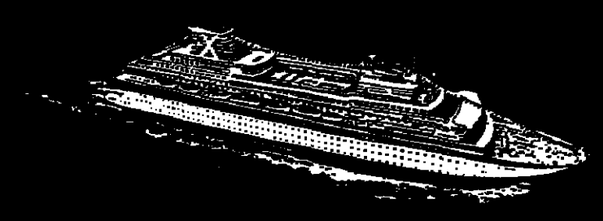
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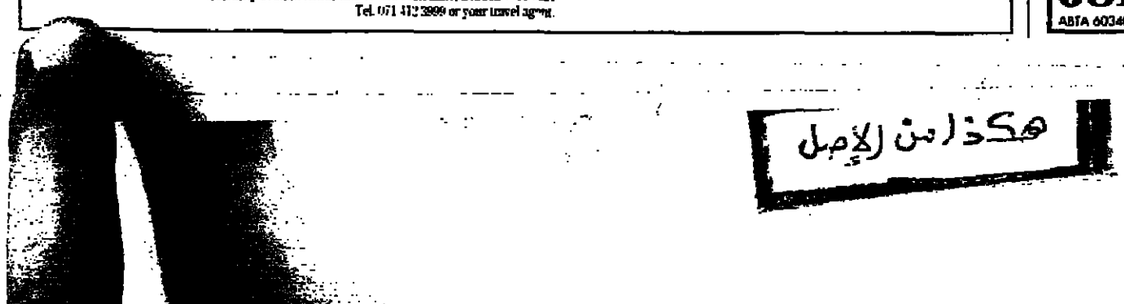
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**Derwent May** reflects on a watery decoration that was once a defensive way of life

# Dig that ancient moat

Tennyson's sad heroine Mariana was lonely and weary in her moated grange, but today's moats are cheerful and much-prized stretches of water. Where the water comes up to the walls, the inhabitants enjoy looking out of their windows and seeing their house reflected beneath them: they have the unique pleasure of being indoors yet contemplating the beauty of the place in which they live.

Lord Walpole, who owns the handsome, 15th-century Mannington Hall, near Norwich, has just had to re-sluice his moat because the Victorian sluices had rotted and the water was running away too fast. But he enjoyed even that: it meant cleaning out the drained moat, and in the mud he discovered fragments of medieval pottery, masses of broken, late-Victorian china that was no doubt thrown out by the housemaids, and a hoard of 1920s women's make-up pots.

Carp swim in his moat. On open days, canoeing races are held on the water, though they cannot go all the way round, because of a Victorian drainpipe that runs under the arch of the back bridge. There is a drawbridge at the front.

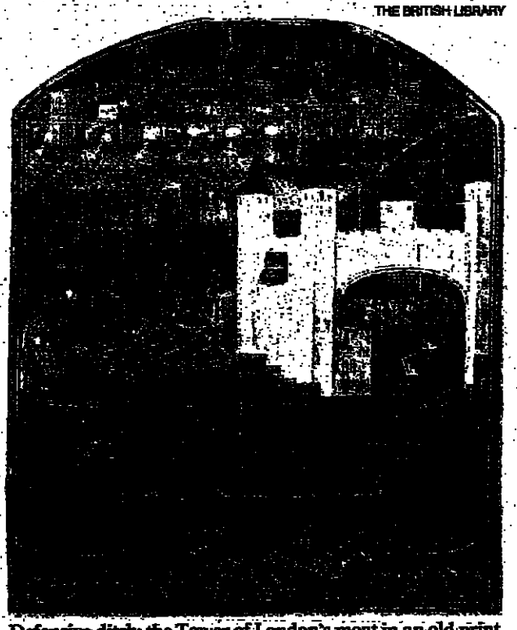
Owners are not the only people interested in moats. A band of moat enthusiasts, who used to be called the Moated Sites Research Group, merged recently with the Medieval Settlement Research Group. They estimate about 6,000 moated sites in England — 1,500 moated houses and about 4,500 detectable medieval moats without any buildings left in the middle of them.

Castles, of course, had moats for defensive purposes, but the moated house in this country is an architectural development mainly of the 13th to the 15th centuries, in the years before and after the ravages of the Black Death.



Jolly good moating weather: flamingos at Mole Hall wildlife park in Essex enjoying the benefits of their moat

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Defensive ditch: the Tower of London's moat in an old print

By this time the defensive significance of the moat had dwindled. It kept out bands of beggars who terrorised the villages and it might even have offered some protection during a feud between two families, but generally all it deterred were the deer who might nibble the plants in the garden. It was a decorative feature and a potent social symbol, popular with abbots, bishops and rich laymen.

The moats were often dug by bands of itinerant dykers, exact predecessors of the 18th and 19th-century "navvies", or navigators, who built the canals — except that the navvies were generally Irish, and the moat-diggers Welsh. The dykers were paid at piecework rates, and receipts exist made out to contractors with names such as "Benedict Welshman".

The word "moat" comes from Old French *motte*, a mound — so the name was transferred from the earth that had been dug out (and perhaps used to make a platform in the middle) to the hole that it left behind.

The fish living in the moat were important as food, and most moats are linked to a series of fish ponds. Sophisticated hydraulic engineering was needed to lay the moat and ponds out along the line of the stream that fed them, preserving a steady depth of water while keeping the flow going gently. The movement of the water was important because the latrines of the house usually emptied into the moat, which at its worst could be a seedy, unhygienic place.

For the archaeologist, the moats from which the buildings have vanished are more interesting than those still encircling houses, because they have been left undisturbed without later cleaning or accretions of Victorian teacups. Water preserves organic materials that would otherwise have crumbled and turned to dust, so neglected moats in which the water has lingered have produced plenty of medieval wooden buckets and leather shoes for the social historian to gloat over.

Moats can even be found in the middle of a wood: the buildings have collapsed and the stone or bricks have been pilfered, leaving the trees to take over and the site to be used later as a game spinney.

The moat enthusiasts are beginning to get local authorities to buy such sites, and at Marston Magna, near Yeovil in Somerset, the county council has put the moat from a vanished manor house on show and provided maps and guides. English Heritage, and the villagers, contributed to the purchase, and it has become a kind of outdoor classroom for local schools.

There are hazards in owning a moat. Dogs, people and machinery can fall in. If your moat has grassy banks you might have to use a hover-mower on a string to cut them, and that method has its pitfalls. Algae can colonise the water or willow leaves clog it.

Douglas Johnstone, whose family owns a moated house in Widdington, Essex (above), became worried recently because he thought a kind of moat police, in the form of a young woman, was investigating his water. He was right in as much as the woman he found on his land was employed by English Heritage, and therefore had a right and duty to inspect all scheduled monuments, including many moated buildings.

English Heritage can prevent any interference with such monuments, which means it can even prevent the owner of a scheduled moat from digging it out beyond a certain depth. However, it has no power to force the owner to repair or restore it. If it thinks that work needs to be done on it, it will generally offer a grant; if the owner still refuses, it has statutory powers to do the work itself.

Julian Hunt, one of English Heritage's Anglia team, tells a sad story. A young couple bought a moated farmhouse, but as they had children, they wanted to drain the moat for the time being for safety. They were not allowed to do this. They proposed putting fences round the moat but, because they are not permitted to make holes in the banks, they will have to install fences set in concrete standing along the edge. Mr Hunt acknowledges that it is an unhappy conflict of interests. So be careful if you dream of leaving suburbia for a house with its own looking-glass. You might find that you have just jumped out of the mire into the moat.

● *Paul Heiney's column returns to Out of Town next week.*

# That's no lady, that's a cannibal

STEPHEN DALTON





I ONCE collected a couple of dozen ladybirds from all parts of my garden and sprinkled them on a row of broad beans that were black with aphids. A few days later the beans were pest free. The "gardener's friend" had justified its name, I thought, but I didn't give a second thought to the survival of the ladybirds after they'd saved my beans.

Two scientists at the University of East Anglia have shown what may have happened. Professor Tony Dixon and a visiting research fellow, Basant Agarwala from India, found the ladybird to be a ruthless insect that will "eat their own progeny and siblings" to ensure survival when garden pests are scarce.

Professor Dixon points out that it is not good for ladybirds to swarm together, making their natural food scarce and cannibalism a compelling option. This means that there are seldom enough ladybirds around to combat aphids, which reproduce at an incredible rate.

There are 44 species of ladybirds in Britain, most tiny and inconspicuous, but the present research is concerned with the two best-known species, the seven- and two-spotted ladybirds. The researchers are now gathering support to study the insect's chemical defences. The seven-spotted ladybird (*Coccinella 7-punctata*), with three spots on each wing and one where the wings meet, has a chemical defence which protects it against both birds and predatory invertebrates. The two-spotted ladybird (*Adalia bipunctata*) has a chemical defence which Professor Dixon describes as "extremely vicious" — a defence against cannibalism by its larger and stronger seven-spotted friend.

"WE THINK that just one alkaloid is involved as a chemical deterrent in each species," Professor Dixon says. Morphine and nicotine are members of this chemical group.

Although the two-spotted ladybird can find its own eggs very appetising, the females are reluctant to eat eggs and seem able to recognise their own. The point here is that it makes good genetic sense to eat your neighbour's eggs as long as they are not relatives. "But neither species eats the eggs of the other because of their chemical defence," Professor Dixon says.

In some species the eggs are laid in clusters to maximise the presence of the deterring chemical. Even so, the scientists found that starving ladybirds will eat almost anything, even though its chemical protection may kill them.

Where do ladybirds go in the winter? "The adults hibernate — hundreds together sometimes — under loose bark, behind old storm windows and in unused chimney stacks. In spring the ladybirds fly off and find plants infested with aphids," Professor Dixon says. "We don't know how they do it. The eggs hatch in about five days and grubs become pupae after 30 to 35 days, depending on temperature. A week later the ladybirds emerge."

Professor Dixon wants to know how the ladybird finds its way in the world. "It's part of our desire to understand the life around us." But he didn't mention how useful they can be if sprinkled in quantity on a row of broad beans.

EDWARD ASHPOLE



The ladybird: dines happily on aphids

*Feather report*

# Quaint, pompous and very odd

The shelduck is one of the oddest of our birds. And just now it is behaving very oddly indeed. Most of the shelducks from Britain and many from the Continent are going off on a moult migration.

They gather in enormous numbers on the islands in the Heligoland Bight off the northwest German coast, where they feel secure and can find plenty of food. There they will stay until October, by which time they will be in shining new plumage.

However, there is a problem. The young from this year's nests are still not fledged. Some of them are half-grown, some are still ducklings clothed in rather pretty, marbled down. What to do about those? The answer is that some shelducks stay behind and look after large crèches of young birds. You can see them now on the estuaries — long lines of small shelducks waddling clumsily across the wet sand behind a pompous-looking adult.

They are odd birds in other ways. They are something between a duck and a goose, and in fact belong to a group called sheldgeese. The "sheld" part of their name means "pied" and they are indeed boldly variegated birds, one of the easiest of all species to identify.

They have dark, glossy green heads, white bodies with black along the back of the wing, and a chestnut band like some mayoral badge of office across their chests. The drake's self-important demeanour is further increased in summer by the growth of a large red knob at the base of his beak, and the development of a black belly.



Jacques

The shelduck: off to Germany on a moult migration

They fly like geese, in skeins or wedges, and with quite slow wing-beats, unlike the fast, whinnying flight of ducks. Most of the time they are sociable birds, although solitary individuals often turn up on inland lakes in July and August during migration. These strays look very bizarre, floating about on the water among the coots and the moulting mallards.

Most of the young birds began their life in rabbit holes along sandy shores, which is where shelducks prefer to nest. They also nest under haystacks or even in deserted huts — four nests were found some years ago on the floor of a shepherd's shed. The nest is lined with soft down from the female's breast, and the eggs, which may number as many as 15 in one clutch, are creamy-white.

Sometimes two females will lay in the same nest, producing a small mountain of eggs. The females need to build up a great deal of energy to lay so many eggs, and when they are feeding during this period, the drake will guard them assiduously to make sure they are not interrupted.

But now all that business of laying and incubating is over, and whether they are on their native coasts or up in the Heligoland Bight the shelducks will have an easy summer. They like to feed on the ebb tide, sieving the water or the liquid mud with their beaks in search of the sea snails for which they have a special taste.

On stiller water they will "up-end" to feed, with only their tails and the tips of their wings showing above water: when a whole party of them is doing this they look like an encampment of little tents on the sea. The young birds will dive in pursuit of prey, but they give that up as they get bigger.

In October, the British shelducks will be back again, reunited with their young and the duckling-minders, though they will probably not recognise each other. Many shelducks from other countries will come with them. Throughout the winter, they will form a quaint and colourful band of birds around our coastline.

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Restaurants across Britain are preparing for their answer to Live Aid on October 17. **Frank Jeffery** raises his glass to their enterprise

# Eat out for charity

It has taken two years to organise the biggest party in the world, but it is going to be worth it. The aim is breathtaking: to persuade the entire nation to go out to dine on the same Sunday evening — October 17 — and to contribute millions to British charities for the homeless and hungry at the same time.

The restaurant and catering trade's answer to Live Aid, Band Aid and the various charity telethons is based on a simple idea. On D (for Dining) Day, every participating eating establishing in Britain will contribute half its takings to an organisation called Dine-a-Mite, which will pass the money on to charities such as the Salvation Army, Age Concern, the British Red Cross and the industry's own Hotel and Catering Benevolent Association.

Nobody knows how many of us will accept the invitation to the party, although it will certainly run into millions. Nobody knows how many restaurants will take part, although the current figure is more than 9,000 and the final one could be twice that after a big publicity campaign starting in September. Nobody knows how much will be raised. Dine-a-Mite will make no official prediction, but trade sources believe that about £5 million is a real possibility.

What is fascinating is the scope of the enterprise. The grand hotels are joining in — the Savoy, the Dorchester, the Hilton — and most of the big hotel chains such as Forte, Intercontinental and Cunard are on board.

The brewers are strongly supportive. Whitbread, Allied, Scottish and Newcastle and Bass are in, which means that thousands of pubs serving food will be doing their bit. Most of the great country house hotels and restaurants have signed on. But so has an army of small high-street cafés, burger bars, pizza parlours and fish and chip shops.

The enterprise is attractive to the public because they are not asked to make pledges or send cheques, but simply to go out to dinner in the kind of eating establishment they normally patronise. Their bill will be what they normally pay, but they will know half their spend is going to people who can never afford to eat out.



Happy to help: establishments from the Savoy Grill (above) to fish and chip shops are taking part

RESTAURANT WATCH

The enthusiasm of the hospitality trade for the project is refreshing. Most establishments are not simply opening for business on October 17; they are going out of their way to publicise the event and to create a festive atmosphere on the night. For example, Hilton's 40 hotels throughout the country are going for a party feel.

Gerald Milsom, who owns the celebrated Talbooth at Dedham in Essex, on the river Stour, and two other East Anglian restaurants, is the father of Dine-a-Mite, and the Princess Royal could be regarded as its mother. She was attending a formal banquet, a *grande bouffe*, at a time when the problems of the starving Kurds were at their worst. She felt guilty, she said, to be dining so lavishly at such a time.

The idea nagged at Mr Milsom, who began to feel that an industry based on hospitality should do something for people who could not afford to make use of it. The trade has always been generous to charities, but on an individual or local basis. He wanted a nationwide response.

Mr Milsom is a man of influence. He is a master innholder (rather like a master of wine in the vintage world) and a former chairman of both the British Hospitality Association and the East Anglian Tourist Board. A man who knows the great and the good in the catering world, he hustled. He persuaded Barclays Bank to give him offices for Dine-a-Mite in Holborn. He persuaded the richer end of the catering trade to provide a fighting fund of £250,000. He began gradually to persuade the rest of the trade to join in.

"We would like to make the biggest party a regular event," he says. "Probably every two years."

October 17 will do something for the hospitality industry as well as for the people it will help. The choice of a Sunday night allows establishments to have their normal Friday and Saturday business, on which many of them rely to survive the recession. And as the trade's bible, *Caterer and Hotelkeeper*, says: "It will be good for restaurants; it will remind people that eating out is fun."

But there is no doubt that the thrust behind the biggest party in the world is charitable and we should support it. So on October 17, don't just stay at home. Get out there and eat.

# Distilling nectar for the gods

**Quentin Crewe** continues his celebration of French cuisine with a glass of well-aged armagnac

Apothecaries in the Middle Ages made *aqua ardente* to revive the dying and as a prophylactic in times of plague and other sinister epidemics. It was about the time of the Reformation when the farmers of Gascony transformed this rough spirit into armagnac. By the middle of the 19th century, production of the brandy had reached a peak of some 100,000 hectolitres (about 2½ million gallons).

Cognac started later than armagnac, but had the advantage of being nearer the sea with the possibility of export, so that today for every litre of armagnac sold, cognac sells ten. For my taste, armagnac has a more interesting character because its method of production, with only one distillation as opposed to cognac's two, leaves it with a more natural flavour.

The rules governing armagnac were laid down in 1909, by which time the new vines, planted after the scourge of phylloxera in 1878 had wiped out all the original vineyards, were producing enough to be a commercial proposition. They now cover more than 30,000 acres, mostly in the Gers, together with some parishes in Lot-et-Garonne and les Landes. There are technically three sections lying within the permitted zone of the *appellation d'origine*. Bas-Armagnac has a sandy, acid soil which, it is claimed, gives the brandy a smell of prunes and peaches. Haut-Armagnac, well to the east with fewer than 400 acres of chalky land, has a small production, but the spirit from Ténarèze, which lies between the two, on a soil of clay and chalk mixed with sand, is possibly the most delicate, supposedly smelling of violets.

Not only is the region demarcated, but the type of grapes used in making the wine to distil, the methods and timing of distillation, and the aging process in oak barrels are all carefully prescribed.

The grapes, usually folle blanche, ugni blanc or colombard, make a simple wine of high acidity but low alcoholic content (never more than 9 degrees). The distillation is done quite soon after the *vendange*, so the acidity does not fade, and must by law be done before March 31. Traditionally, distillation was done at 52.2C, although the regulations permit temperatures of up to 70C. The bigger commercial manufacturers have lately been inclined to distil at a greater heat, as this eliminates more impurities and appears to make the spirit mature more quickly.

All armagnac must mature in an oak cask for at least one year, when it can be sold labelled as three-star brandy. The labels VO, VSOP and *Réserve* mean that the least time any part of the blend of armagnacs has been in the cask is four years. The rather generous terms Extra, Napoleon, XO and, even more suggestive of maturity, *Hors d'Age* and *Vieille Réserve*, mean only one more year. Of course, some better blends from respectable houses contain a handsome amount of older spirit, while others add a little of the older stuff, and hint at 20 years in the oak. By far the best are the vintage brandies that have been aged in the wood for at least 15 years and not blended with other years.

When newly distilled, the alcohol content of armagnac is very high. Over the years in the barrel it loses much of its strength, but spirit which has only been in the barrel a comparatively short time is too strong for sale. To bring it down to the standard 43 degrees, they add what the manufacturers coyly refer to as their secret *petites eaux*, which is really to say water. This is forbidden in the case of vintage armagnac. The first act of anyone testing a vintage armagnac is to shake the bottle vigorously. If it is pure, bubbles will linger for several seconds on top of the brandy. If water has been added, they will vanish immediately.

There are no grand armagnac houses to compare with, say, Hennessy, Courvoisier, or Remy Martin in Cognac, and it is often the small, independent farmer who produces the best brandy.

A marvellous example is Paul Dubourdieu, an eccentric man of 63, who farms less than 100 acres in Ténarèze, near Mézin. The first time I went to his farm, I could not believe that anything of any quality could emerge from this shambles. A dead ram, on its back in a wheelbarrow, was swelling in the sun. A cow lay exhausted at the entrance to a tractor shed; she had given birth in the night. Ducks and chickens wandered in a way for which the word free-range is an understatement.

In front of the house stood the still, a Heath-Robinson affair. Barrels were strewn everywhere, some in long rows, others seemingly abandoned in the tangled undergrowth. Then we tasted M Dubourdieu's armagnac.

We sat at a long wooden table in a room as jumbled as the outside, a mad clutter of bits and pieces. Mme Dubourdieu brought glasses and with great deliberation poured us first three glasses of *floc de Gascogne*, a red, a rosé and a white.

*Floc* is an apéritif, made of the must or unfermented grape juice with a little armagnac added, about as strong as sherry. This is made by their son, Bernard. Usually it is too sweet for my taste, but their white was excellent. Next we ate some prunes bottled in armagnac and sipped a little *eau de vie de pruneau*, which were both delightful. Then came the 1975 vintage armagnac. Somehow out of the muddle of this time-arrested farm, M Dubourdieu, in defiance of all the accepted practices (although always within the *appellation* regulations), makes a brandy fit the gods.

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JOHN BRUNTON



Sun-stroke of genius: the unorthodox Paul Dubourdieu happily leaves his barrels out in all weathers, yet manages to make an armagnac fit for the gods

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# Easy feasts with Italian flavour

**Frances Bissell** shares favourite recipes for summery pastas and puddings



ITALIAN food, perhaps more than any other, seems designed for easy entertaining. Most of the food I buy in Italian food shops here is also available, in one form or another, from supermarkets, but in these I cannot choose from which particular ham I want my *prosciutto* sliced. I like mine to come from a piece near the knuckle end, so the slices are a little smaller than my hand. The ham can sometimes be stringy at this point, but the sweetness makes up for it. A ripe, cold Galia melon is its perfect companion, and I'll serve some sweet, crunchy radishes with olives.

Just in case someone prefers a salad *to prosciutto con melone*, I buy mozzarella, and basil to go with tasty tomatoes.

For a simple dessert, I serve wedges of ricotta and fresh raspberries with a little cream, sprinkled with icing sugar. For a more elaborate pudding, I have created a summer fruit version of *tiramisu*, using berry fruits instead of black coffee and chocolate. Italian cherries are also excellent at present.

Pasta is popular here as a main course rather than a first course as served in Italy, and aubergines or seafood are two favourite accompaniments.

Although some shellfish, such as mussels, are out of season, small clams and queen scallops are available. Use them, or shelled cold-water prawns, in the next recipe. Peppery rocket provides a good contrast in flavour, texture and colour to shellfish. Clams should be well-scrubbed, rinsed and briefly steamed to open them. Use a thin pasta, such as tagliolini, trenette, linguine or spaghettini.

I would probably serve a dry, sparkling prosecco as an aperitif, and with the starters. If you want a change for the main course, consider one of the light Italian reds — a dolcetto or a bardolino served chilled, and for the pudding, a moscato d'asti, a simple, fruity sparkler from Bava.

**Pasta with shellfish and rocket**
*(serves 4-6)*
1lb/455g dry pasta
4oz/110g rocket leaves
8-12oz/230-340g prepared shellfish
3tbsp extra virgin olive oil

Boil the pasta according to the directions on the packet. Or try this method, which is efficient and economical. Bring the water to the boil, add the pasta, and bring back to the boil. If using thin pasta, boil for two minutes. Remove from the heat, cover with a tight-fitting lid and leave for the full cooking time stated on the package. Just before straining it, stir in the rocket leaves and shellfish, and then pour everything into a colander set over a large serving bowl, which will be heated by the water poured into it. The rocket will be just wilted to perfection and the shellfish heated through. Empty the pasta bowl and tip in the pasta. Dress with olive oil and serve immediately.

A mixture of fresh plum tomatoes and dried tomatoes gives a much more concentrated flavour to the next pasta dish. I use a thicker pasta such as penne, rigatoni or *penne rigati*. If you follow the cooking method I describe in the previous recipe, you will need to boil it for three, not two, minutes.

Make the sauce first: it keeps and is worth making in larger amounts.

**Pasta with aubergine and tomato sauce**
*(serves 4-6)*
1 large aubergine, approx 1lb/455g
2tsp salt
1 small onion, peeled and chopped
4tbsp extra virgin olive oil
5-6 pieces of dried tomato, soaked in water for 10-15 minutes
1lb/455g ripe plum tomatoes
fresh basil

Dice the aubergine, lightly salt it and leave in a colander to degorge for an hour or so. Rinse thoroughly and squeeze it dry in several layers of paper towels. Meanwhile, fry the onion gently in the oil: 30-40 minutes is not too long, as the onion should completely collapse into the sauce. Raise the heat, and add the aubergine. Brown it a little and add the dried tomatoes, cut into strips. Peel the fresh tomatoes if you like. Discard the seeds and roughly chop the flesh. Add this to the pan and cook until soft.

While the sauce is cooking, cook the pasta, drain as described in the previous recipe, and then tip into the pasta bowl. Stir in the sauce, together with some torn-up basil leaves. If the sauce shows signs of drying up too much, add a little water. For a richer sauce, add red wine during cooking.

An eggs and vegetables combination is particularly good for a light summer meal. Cauliflower or broccoli florets, chopped chard or spinach and small turnips can be used in the following pudding recipe. In Italy, the vegetables may well be fried separately in olive oil, and layered in the basin. You can cook the mixture in a loaf tin, which will produce square slices rather than wedges. Thinly sliced leftovers make a good sandwich filling.

**Steamed vegetable pudding with tomato and basil sauce**
*(serves 6-8 as a starter, 4 as a light main course)*
3 or 4 carrots
4-6 waxy new potatoes
3 small artichokes, or one larger one
2 courgettes
4oz/110g bobby beans, or haricots verts
4oz/110g runner beans
4oz/110g shelled peas
2 whole free-range eggs and 3 egg yolks
3tbsp milk
sea salt
freshly ground black pepper
freshly grated nutmeg
1tsp tarragon, or summer savoury, finely chopped
2-3tbsp grated Parmesan, or other hard cheese

Peel, trim, top and tail the vegetables as appropriate. Slice the carrots, dice the potatoes and quarter the small artichokes (dice the base if using a large artichoke). Break the bobby beans into four or five pieces and string and slice the runner beans. Cook the vegetables in boiling water until almost cooked. Beat the remaining ingredients and spoon a little into a 2pt/1l pudding basin. Spoon the vegetables into the basin and pour the remaining egg mixture over the vegetables. Allow it to stand for five minutes for the egg mixture to settle. Place on a rack in a large saucepan, cover, and steam for 30-40 minutes until set. Remove from the pan and leave for at least 15-20 minutes before turning out.

I like to serve the pudding at room temperature. Cut it into wedge-shaped slices, and serve with a fresh tomato sauce, made by blending and sieving ripe, sweet tomatoes with basil leaves and some seasoning.

**Mascarpone and summer berry pudding**
*(serves 6-8: please note, this recipe uses raw eggs)*

Prepare the fruit first:

4oz/110g gooseberries or redcurrants
4oz/110g blackcurrants
4oz/110g raspberries
4oz/110g tayberries, strawberries or blueberries
¼ pt/140ml water
4oz/110g sugar, or to taste

Top and tail gooseberries and strip currants. Rinse. Put gooseberries in a saucepan with water and cook until just soft, before adding the blackcurrants and raspberries and cooking for a further two to three minutes. If using redcurrants instead of gooseberries, cook with the other fruit. Leave the last batch of berries, whichever you choose, uncooked, and stir them, with the sugar, into the lightly cooked fruit. When the sugar has dissolved, spoon the fruit into a sieve over a bowl. Reserve the juice. To assemble the pudding, you will need:

10oz/280g sponge fingers, ratafia or Amaretti
¼ pt/140ml fruit syrup (see above)
3-4tbsp grappa
8oz/230g mascarpone or cream cheese
5 fl oz/140ml thick plain yoghurt
4oz/110g ricotta
3-4oz/85-110g icing sugar
1tsp pure vanilla essence
2 or 3 free-range egg whites
1-2tbsp roasted pinenuts or flaked almonds

Break the sponge fingers, if using them, into two or three pieces. Put half of them, or the other biscuits, into a glass bowl and pour half the fruit syrup mixed with grappa over them. Spoon on half the fruit. Blend cream cheese, yoghurt, ricotta, icing sugar and vanilla until smooth. Whisk the egg white and fold into creamy mixture. Spoon half of it over the fruit, and top with more biscuits, dipped in the remaining syrup. Spoon the rest of the fruit over the biscuits, and then spread on the remaining cream. Cover and refrigerate for several hours before serving. Decorate before serving with the toasted nuts.

DIANA LEADBETTER




# Picnic with a secret

*Times* reader Patricia Payne describes her dream meal



PATRICIA Payne, of Minehead, Somerset, once ate a picnic supper at Roxburgh Castle in Scotland, on a grassy knoll shaded by trees, overlooking the rivers Tweed and Teviot and the castle ruins.

Had she known, as she later learnt, that it was the site of the gallows, she would have "poured a libation of canned white wine and said a prayer for the souls of those who had died dancing on air" in a place with an incomparable view. That picnic was improvised; here is the menu she would really have liked.

The main course is salmon trout (she recommends Holmes of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland, to provide it — (0289 307441 for mail order) poached in white wine, salt and peppercorns, and allowed to cool. With it, newly dug potatoes, boiled and cooled; green salad of baby lettuce and cresses; and hollandaise sauce, not too acid; fresh bread rolls, butter, Orkney cheese.

To follow, gooseberry fool. "Not the new season's grosets, they are still too small and sour, but last year's August-picked berries, satin-skinned globes of juice and flavour carefully over-wintered in sugar in the deep freeze.

"Gently stew in the lowest oven of the Aga (or on a low heat in a gas or electric oven), then crush into thick whipped cream with a silver fork. Serve with shortbread biscuits.

"Why is it few can make shortbread? They will add egg, cornflour, ground almonds ... Six oz of plain flour (fine and dry), four of butter (best farmhouse, yellow as a buttercup and smelling of spring meadows), two of sugar (caster). Put the flour and sugar in a bowl, add a pinch of salt.



"Work the flour and sugar into the softened butter with the hands until it balls. Flatten out the ball with the heel of the hand until it is biscuit thin, put into fancy shapes, prick with a fork and bake on a greased baking tray in a hot oven. Don't ask me what temperature and how long. I don't know any oven but my own. [Frances Bissell recommends 1 hour in a 7in/17.5cm tin at 150C/300F and gas mark 2, no higher than the middle of the oven.] And don't turn your back on it. One minute too few and the shortbread is sad. Too many — disaster. But oh, the crisp perfection of the exact moment. Bake the trimmings first as a test. The drink is champagne, chilled in the river, and Drambuie, and a flask of coffee."

As midsummer nights are so short in the north, she recommends a dawn breakfast. Bacon and eggs cooked on a driftwood fire, with fresh scones baked on an iron griddle: a flat iron plate balanced on stones over glowing embers. Take with you self-raising flour, salt and half the weight of the flour in butter, rubbed fine as breadcrumbs, carried in a bowl, and a flask of soured milk. Mix them together, ball and flatten, cut into triangles and bake.

"Make plenty. Those bonny lads marching purposefully up the bank are river bailiffs making sure you haven't poached a fish (which you have, but not in the way they object to). They won't hang you but they'll be glad of a hot scone and a cup of tea."

LOUISA YOUNG

● *Patricia Payne will receive a bottle of Moët & Chandon champagne, a bottle of Hine cognac and a copy of* Memorable Dinners *edited by Derek Nimmo.*

# Glowing on holiday

**Jane MacQuitty** chooses wines to put you in a relaxed mood

What we all need now are wines to put us in a holiday mood. Light, refreshing, easy-drinking whites and reds with higher acidity, lower alcohol and positive flavours are the best, but almost any decent bottles with a low price tag will do.

My vote for the best all-round summer holiday white wine this year goes to 1993 Göiya Kgeisje, from South Africa's Cape Province, with its vivid yellow and black ostrich label. For the third year running, this wine has beaten beaujolais nouveau and the rest of the world's *vin de l'année* to become the first of the new year's wines to go on sale in Britain. It is made by the largest cellar in the Cape, the Vredendal co-operative, which lies about 125 miles north of Capetown in the Olifants river region, making it one of South Africa's most northerly producers.

Göiya Kgeisje's blend changes each year. This year's version (Tesco £3.29), harvested in the Cape's Mediterranean-like January, is a 50-50 blend of sauvignon and chardonnay. Its full, elegant sauvignon scent, backed up with lemon, lime and grapefruit flavours on the palate, plus a higher slug of alcohol than most holiday whites, makes it the perfect deckchair wine.

Also on offer at Tesco are the new vintages of its own-label New Zealand sauvignon blanc and cabernet sauvignon from Gisborne, on the North Island. Heaps better than the first, stringy wines that went on sale at Tesco under these labels, the 1992 white and the 1990 red come from Corbans, £3.99 each (the red goes up to £4.59 soon). The white's fresh, stylish, flowering currant and gooseberry fruit makes a great all-round summer holiday wine, as does the chewy, plummy fruit of the red, which has 15 per cent merlot in its mix, adding softness to the blend.

Other good summer holiday buys at Tesco this month include its Cape Chenin Blanc, a much underestimated white wine grape. In this case, it has produced plenty of soft, glugable, peachy-pineappley fruit that, with 12.5 per cent alcohol, should effect a suitably soporific holiday mood. Up 40p to £2.99 recently, it's still a snip.

The white wine that many have been waiting for here is the first of Hugh Ryman's 1992 Moldovan wines, made using "careful handling and Australian technology". Despite a promised late-spring arrival, the 1992 Moldova Chardonnay arrived at Majestic only a fortnight ago.

Moldova is the newly independent Russian state that lies between Romania and the Ukraine, and Hugh Ryman and others rate its climate, soil and classic grapes as prime £2.99 UK bottle fodder. Certainly, the delightful, soft, oaky-appley '92 Chardonnay from Hincesti, southeast of the capital Chisinau, on sale at Majestic for £2.99, shows there is plenty of potential to be had from this new republic. Try it with simple picnic fare.

Just arrived at Victoria Wine is its 1992 Charles de France Chardonnay de Bourgogne from Jean-Claude Boisset, replacing its previous, own-label white burgundy. Some may find the name and pot-bellied bottle all rather too much, but no one will grumble at its big, rich, buttery-oaky scent and taste, or its keen price for white burgundy, £4.99. A holiday special occasion white wine, but worth it.

Other good, ordinary holiday white and red wines to consider are those "wines at wild prices" on sale at cut rates at Majestic. The best by far are an outstanding pair of Cahors vintages, the '87 and '88 Château Quattre at £2.99. The rustic, spicy, plummy fruit of this duo, made from the tannat and merlot grapes — there is little to choose between the vintages — is easily worth the price. Great with holiday barbecues.

Among the Majestic collection is a cru beaujolais, the 1990 Moulin-à-Vent, Domaine de la Bruyère, at £3.49. Its pale, garnet-red colour and juicy, soft, but beginning to dry out fruit could well cheer up a holiday hamburger.

If nothing but burgundy on holiday will do, Majestic can help with its discounted range. Mongeard-Mugneret's '90 and '91 Bourgogne Rouge, both £5.99, would be the most usefully priced holiday bottles here. The '90 offers lots of delicious, vibrant, leafy, spritzy fruit. But the '91, with its luscious, plummy fruit and scent, is the better wine.

Finally, if you are feeling extravagant, splash out at Tesco. In a bid to slow the falling demand for French wines — against the increasing popularity of wines from countries such as Australia, New Zealand and Chile — Tesco has cut its prices for dozens of French wines. Tesco has succeeded where others have not in persuading producers to lower their prices dramatically, and have passed the savings on.

A pleasant, but not exceptional, light, lemony chablis is down to £4.89. If you can afford it, the very much more impressive '91 Gevrey-Chambertin from Jean-Phillipe Marchand, with its big, leafy, plummy style, is down by £5 to £10.99. And £2 has been knocked off the ripe, chocolatey fruit of a cru bourgeois claret from the Médoc, the '91 Château Patache d'Aux, now £6.49. Happy holidays.

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Sip tip: choose wines with higher acidity and lower alcohol

**BEST BUYS**

● **1990 Clos Saint-Georges, Graves Superior, *Sainsbury's, £7.25***
Peter Sichel's luscious, golden Saint-Georges with its ripe apricot, peach and marzipan flavours is as good as ever, though more costly than it once was. Serve with strawberries.

● **1992 La Casona, Vino Bianco da Tavola, *Oddbins, £2.89***
Pleasing, delicate, appley-lemony fruit make this humble Italian white a useful summer bottle.

● **1992 La Serre Sauvignon Blanc, *The Victoria Wine Company, £3.99***
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● **1992 Chablis Antoine Chatelet, *Majestic, £4.99***
Cut-price elegant, oaky chablis with some of the region's classic, cheesy fruit. Not a great wine but if you're an impecunious chablis fan, a cheap one.

● **1989 Wynns Coonawarra Estate Rhine Riesling, *Oddbins, £2.99***
Dark gold, luscious, mature Australian riesling could be a risky purchase, as the bottle I tried was worth £2.99 but on its last legs. Be brave.

● **Moscato d'Asti, Cantine Gemma, *Oddbins, £2.99***
Delicious ripe, floral, grapey fragrant sweet Italian, perfect for summer puddings.

● **Blanc de Blancs, Vin de Table, *Sainsbury's, £2.75***
Agreeable light, appley-grapey white wine whose keen price will make it a popular summer purchase.

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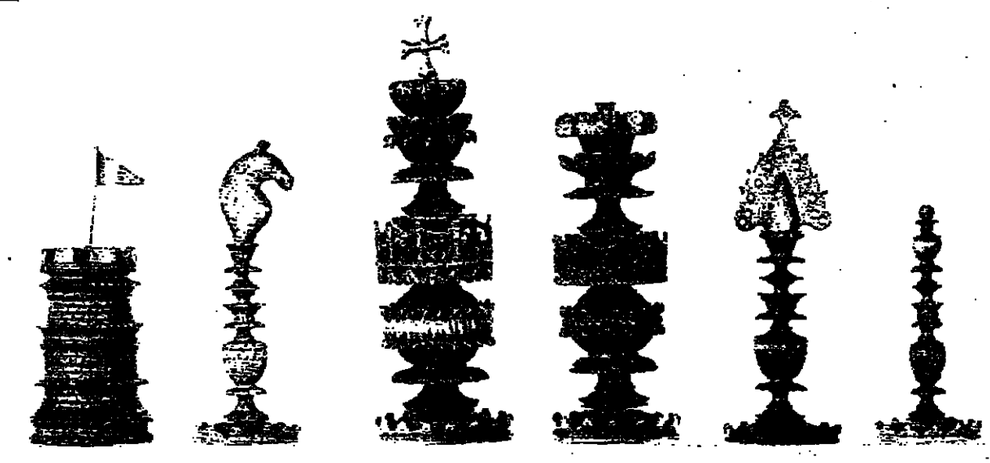
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You do not have to be a chess player to get into the game. **Guy Walters** finds that there is a thriving market for antique chess sets

# A piece of the action





SIMON WALKER



Get on board: top, a 19th-century ivory chess set sold at Phillips for £550; left, Donald Goddard and Carol Dulling with a late 19th-century eastern European chess set: right, a Staunton chess piece

When Nigel Short and *Garry Kasparov* commence battle on September 7, little attention will be paid to the weapons themselves. The duellists and the spectators will be more concerned with how the pieces are employed than how they look. Few will realise that the pieces themselves (complete with microprocessors to record their positions) are modelled on what is called the Staunton design.

One of the few will be Donald Goddard, owner of *Donay* Antiques in Islington, north London. Mr Goddard's shop, which is run by his partner Carol Dulling, specialises in antique games and toys, and chess sets feature heavily. The Staunton pieces are those one *first calls to mind at the mention of* the word "chess": their distinctive disc-like collars and heavy bases are immediately recognisable. The Staunton set was designed in 1849, and it was made by Jacques, the company best known for its croquet sets. The identity of the designer is a mystery, but the new pieces were championed by Howard Staunton, the chess editor of the *Illustrated London News*, whose name now lives on with the design.

Mr Goddard says that the set was an immediate hit for a number of reasons: the pieces are distinguishable from each other at a glance; the Kingside major pieces are marked for the benefit of notation; they have a *pleasant feel in the hand*; and their low centre of gravity ensured that those who wanted to end the game by being deliberately clumsy had little chance: you can tip the pieces to an angle of 20 degrees and they should not topple or slide as long as they have felt pads on their bases.

Most of Mr Goddard's customers are German and American. "Whenever American decorators are *ornamenting* a games-room in Texas for some oil magnate," he says, "it is felt appropriate to include an antique chess set."

Original Jacques Staunton sets are not cheap. An ivory example from about 1850 was sold at Phillips in May for £4,400 — the estimated price was £2,000-£3,000. However, not all Staunton sets are so expensive: Mr Goddard has one dating from *the 1930s, made from box*wood and complete with case, on sale for £325. But Staunton sets are not the only collectable ones. Mr Goddard's shop also has a particularly handsome eastern European example dating from the late 19th century. The £350 red and white set combines the Staunton design with a *traditional eastern European one*.

Many collectors are keen players themselves, although some sets do end up in museums. Mr Goddard does not play because, he says, the game is "far too time-consuming".

Now he has commissioned a 70-year-old craftsman to fashion two new sets out of polyester resin to a design based on the classic 1875 Staunton. Mr Goddard says he will keep one for himself, and sell the other for not less than £2,000. "I hope that they will become future antiques," he says. He intends to commission more, because he feels it should be possible to order a set to one's own specifications.

*Mr Goddard recommends Chess* Collectors' International for anyone interested in collecting sets. Directed by Gareth Williams, the club has 200 members, largely American and German. Lawyers seem to be well represented: the author of *British Chess Sets*, Michael Mark, is a British barrister, and an eminent researcher into the origin of the Staunton set is an American attorney-at-law, Marc J. Loost. However, Mr Williams charmingly says, "we do have a lot of ordinary fellows".

● *Donald Goddard and Carol Dulling are at Donay Antiques, 35 Camden Passage, London N1 (071-359 1890). Phillips, 101 New Bond Street, London W1Y OAS (071-629 6602) has an auction on November 15 of chess sets and related gaming items. Chess Collectors' International is at 41 St Mary's Mansions, St Mary's Terrace, London W2 1SQ (071-262 6410).*

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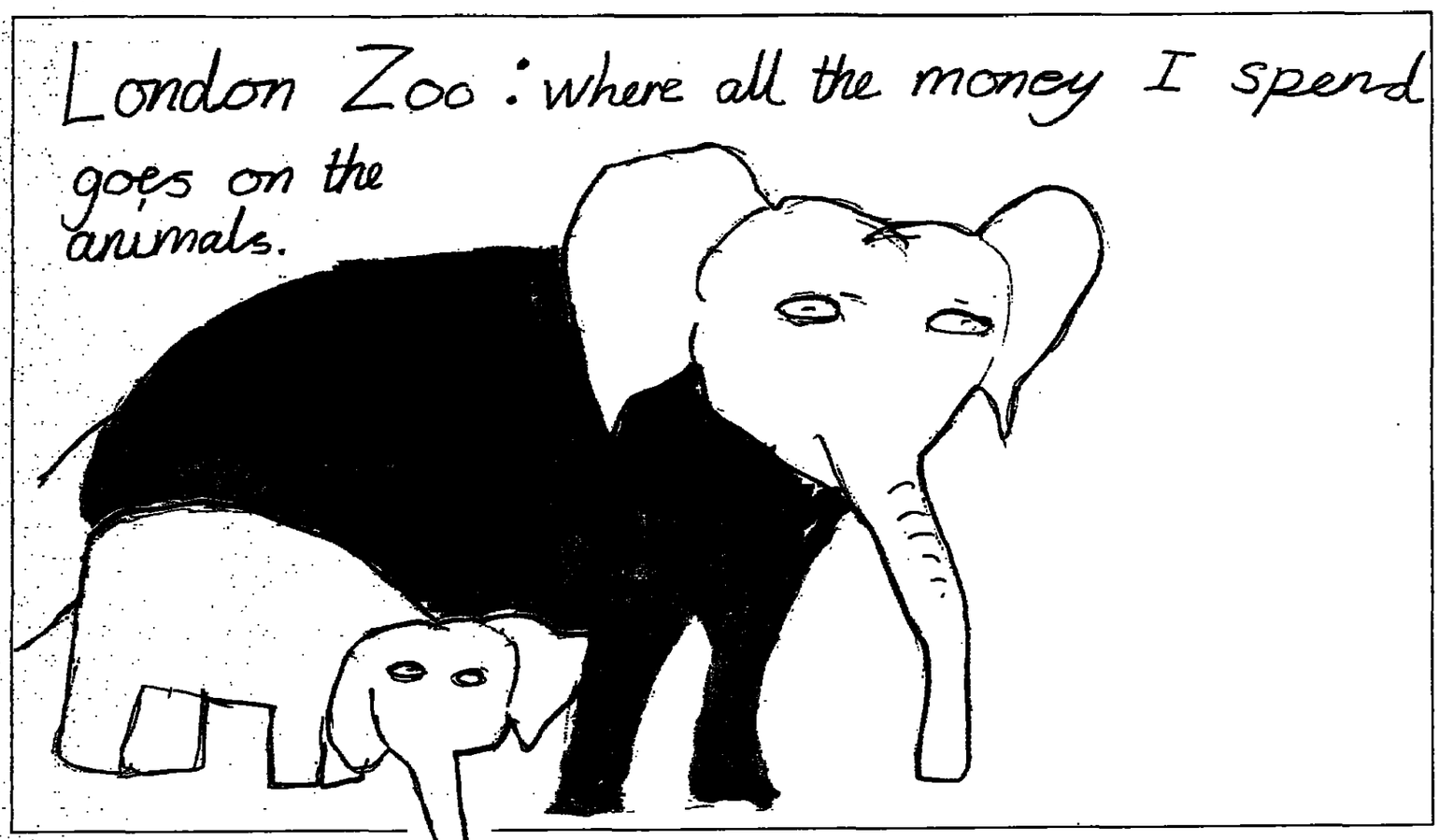
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Get your budding artists to draw a London Zoo picture and they could win a great prize. **Susan MacDonald** explains



Matthew, aged seven: "I like the London Zoo because there is bats and loads more things like rhinoceroses and giraffes. (I like Animals very much they are great things.) Bats are actually friendly 'cos I saw a person in there feeding them. (It's only vampire bats that actually suck blood.) There is a big store in the middle which has great stuff in it like rubber snakes and even animal umbrellas."




# Be a zookeeper for a day

"I like London Zoo because although I whizz round it in as little as an hour, it gives me an idea of places around the world," writes Matthew, aged nine, one of the people *The Times* canvassed for their opinions on the zoo.

These days the enjoyment of looking at the animals is heightened by the educational emphasis zoos place on the vital work of breeding of endangered species, and preserving the environments necessary to their survival. Andrew, aged nine, affirms this policy, while also illustrating certain characteristics peculiar to that sub-species of homo sapiens, puerculi: "My favourite bit is the aquarium because of the sharks even if they are quite small. I can scare my sister with them. I like the night house too. You get to see what night animals do in their natural habitat."

With the summer holidays here, this week *The Times* invites children aged from four to 14 to draw their own favourite animal in London Zoo, and send it in for a children's animal picture competition, to arrive by Saturday August 7.

Entries will be divided into three age groups: four to seven, eight to ten, and 11 to 14. The winners in each age group will be chosen by judges including the cartoonist Martin Rowson, a member of the London Zoo Board, and a fellow of the London Zoological Society. The winning drawings will be published in *The Times* Weekend section on Saturday August 21. All drawings must carry the name of the animal shown, plus the name, age, address and telephone number of the artist printed clearly on the back.

The London Zoo, currently working to improve children's awareness of its work to conserve animals and their environments, is offering three fabulous prizes for the winners in each age group. Under the zoo's animal adoption scheme, a baby animal born this summer will be named after the winner in the youngest age group. The winners in the two older age groups will each get the chance to be a "keeper for a day". They will be able to see behind the scenes, meet the keepers and help to feed and care for some of the animals — and they can bring their family along.

The winner in each age group will also be given a year-long Explorer Membership by the zoo, as will the three runners-up. The London Zoo Explorer Membership is the junior branch of Lifewatch, the friends of London Zoo. It entitles members to a badge and invitations to special events.

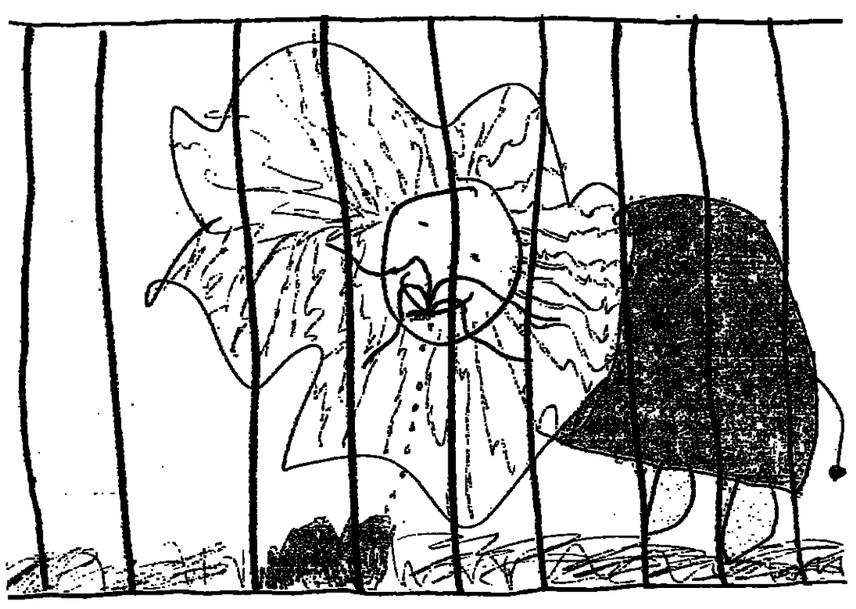
The zoo is keen to involve young people. It has asked children between four and 14 who hold strong views on the role of zoos in conservation and education to apply to join the first-ever London Zoo Children's Committee. As members of the committee, the children will help to influence the zoo's future development. Applications from all over the United Kingdom are welcomed. If you would like to apply, the closing date is July 31. Ten children will be chosen, and travel expenses to meetings will be covered.

Daily events at the zoo this summer include workshops for children and adults on how animals feel and behave.

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Toby, aged 13: "I felt sorry for the caged parrots, but there is no other way I could have seen them."



Above, London Zoo by Michael and Anna, aged five and nine. Below, Anna's monkey



Left, lion by William, aged four



Imogen, aged five: "I fed the rabbits at London Zoo."

## *How to find the animals*

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## What the papers said:

## Derwent May's bookbuyer's guide

*5/5 Pleasure ratings are awarded to a maximum of five. Column centimetres indicate the length of reviews to date in the national broadsheet newspapers.*

**4/5 Raine's rein:** Raine Spencer, now Countess de Chambrun, did not receive a very nice wedding present with the publication of Angela Levin's book *Raine and Johnnie* (Weidenfeld, £17.99). John Martin Robinson, the Maltravers King of Arms, launched a mighty attack on her in the *Evening Standard*. The book was the story of a scandal, "the most detailed account yet of what happened to the Spencer collection after Raine assumed control of her husband's affairs" and took over Althorp, the Spencer house.

He denounced both her selling off of 200 paintings and much of the family silver, china and furniture, and the "unnecessary redecoration which did nearly as much to damage the house as the sales".

Turning to most of the other reviewers, you would hardly have thought you were reading about the same book. What excited them was the personal account of Raine. Lynn Barber in *The Independent on Sunday* was sure that Raine and Earl Spencer — or "Johnnie" — were "madly, passionately in love" and thought that Angela Levin had "not tried hard enough to overcome her dislike" of Raine, though she was "good on all the bizarre details of Raine's lifestyle" — like her potty.

In *The Sunday Times*, Anne Robinson saw the book as a "guidebook" to "the Raine school of social climbing... how Raine navigated her way to Althorp is beautifully documented". In *The Sunday Telegraph*, Hugh Massingberd declared "She is a truly awesome figure... Much to my surprise, I enjoyed this book immensely and can hardly wait for the sequel, *Raine and Jean*." I'm sure he won't have to wait for long.

*Col cm: 138.*

**4/5 Autres femmes, autres moeurs:** Friends rallied round the 93-year-old Frances Partridge, "once the starlet, now the matriarch of Bloomsbury", as Nigel Nicolson put it in *The Daily Telegraph*. *Other People* (HarperCollins, £18), her diaries from 1963 to 1966, was an example of "the dying art of talk: serious, amusing, gossipy, about life — and death", said Stephen Spender in the *Evening Standard*. "An outstanding testimony to the Bloomsbury values... fearlessness and integrity," wrote Frances Spalding in *The Sunday Times*. But in *The Times*, Ian McIntyre dwelt more on the cruel tongues of Bloomsbury, of which Frances Partridge's was no mean specimen: "Another glass of Barbera, dearest? Or would you prefer prussic acid?"

*Col cms: 127.*

**2/5 Wot, no David?:** *Goliath* (Methuen, £9.99), Beatrix Campbell's study of rioting young men on council estates, argues that in such situations women are the potential peacemakers, whose power and influence is being neglected. In *The New Statesman*, Jeremy Seabrook called it "an inspired and comprehensive insight into the state of Britain" — but Joan Smith in *The Independent on Sunday* believed it was "flawed by the radical feminist tendency to stereotype men and romanticise the work of women."

*Col cm: 141.*

**3/5 Grey Windsor soup?** The flames of Windsor are hardly out but Mark Girouard is in there with a book on it (*Windsor*, Hodder, £20). "Impressive... it provides the evidence to allow intelligent debate about the future of the castle," wrote Gavin Stamp in *The Times*. But in *The Observer* Gillian Darley said that the chapter on future proposals was "hastily assembled"— and the castle "the greyest in Europe".

*Col cm: 73.*

In an industrial city dogged by decline, **Ruth Gledhill** visits a spirited symbol of faith

# The parish hope for years to come



ST AGNES Church is unmissable, but a passer-by on the main road that runs past the council estate where it is set might not know immediately what it is. The 100ft spire, a cross between a radio mast and a north-of-England version of the Eiffel tower, dominates the landscape. Those who take the trouble to investigate and see the thin copper sheeting on the roof, the stark wooden cross outside and the exposed steel of the spire might imagine a religion as uncompromising as the landscape.

A challenging design, the church became for me a sign of resurrected hope in Middlesbrough's landscape of despair, where silent factories and neglected housing estates reflect the decline of Teesside's industrial base.

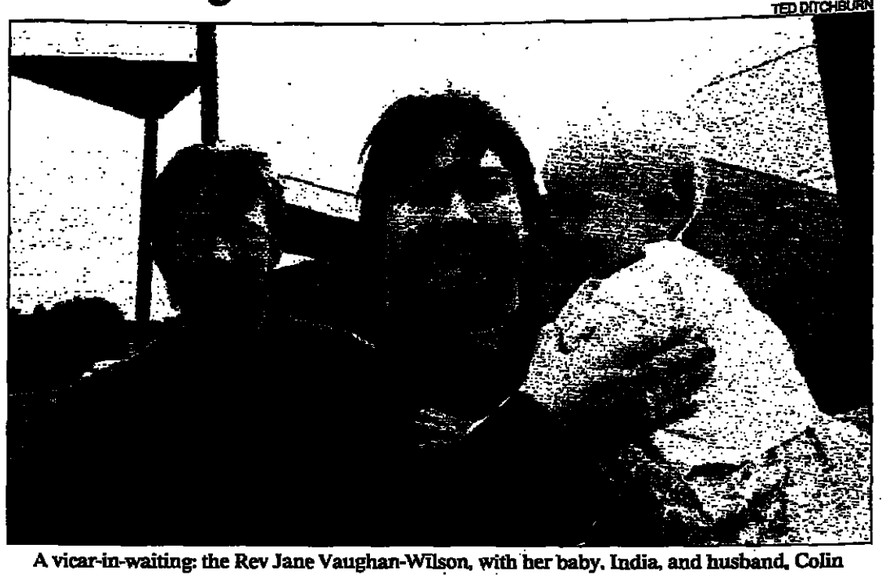
Inside, an embroidered wall-hanging celebrated a "God of concrete, God of steel". The dark purple ceiling was relieved only by a large roof light. The slate floor, pine benches and green synthetic fabric-covered kneelers, combined with strange pinkish lights hung from a green wooden frame suspended above the sanctuary, added to the sense of being a stranger in a strange land. The church was saved only by its altar, rough-hewn from limestone.

I was greeted warmly by two elderly men, but nearly everyone else, including the robed choir, was female. As we prepared to begin our worship, the "vicar" emerged from the vestry to greet us, wearing a black shirt, clerical collar, white alb and green stole. The Rev Jane Vaughan-Wilson, aged 32, is the first woman to be placed in charge of a parish in the York diocese, and one of few in the country to hold such a position.

She has been at St Agnes since May, but cannot legally call herself priest or vicar. As a woman, she cannot celebrate communion or pronounce absolution after confession, and must be content with the title of deacon-in-charge. Until they can be ordained priest next year, women deacons must be content to call in retired or neighbouring male clergy.

Mrs Vaughan-Wilson opened with the announcement that the Rev Chris Simmons, curate at nearby Kirkleatham, would celebrate communion that morning. Her husband, Colin, a primary school teacher, stood at the back of the church holding their baby, India, whom Mrs Vaughan-Wilson has been known to breast-feed in the vestry, an activity that compares with reports of a nearby clergyman who celebrates communion with his baby carried in a sling on his back.

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A vicar-in-waiting: the Rev Jane Vaughan-Wilson, with her baby, India, and husband, Colin

Mrs Vaughan-Wilson's clear voice carried well and with authority, and the issue of her sex was soon forgotten as we progressed through the service. With her rosy cheeks, plump face and dark reddish hair, she seemed a living tribute to St Agnes herself, commemorated on a scarlet banner standing in one corner. St Agnes was condemned to burn at the stake in AD 304, when she spurned the amorous advances of the son of the Prefect of Rome. The flames were miraculously extinguished, but St Agnes was dispatched by sword.

Mrs Vaughan-Wilson preached her sermon from notes and began by recreating the parable of the prodigal son, bringing it forward 2,000 years and making it a story of a prodigal daughter. She said: "I can talk about this because I am an elder sister. I was and still am a very good girl. When I was very little, somewhere along the line I realised something. I realised that if you are a good girl you get loved, or at least you get approved of. There is this fear when you are very little that there might not be enough love to go round. One way of securing myself some love was to earn it." Referring to her own child, aged one, she added: "I find with India, now she is getting older, that it is very easy to show love when she is being good. It is much harder to know how to love her when she is being a nuisance and driving me up the wall. It is a challenge to me and all parents to somehow convey acceptance and love, but still to set boundaries and teach values."



Starkly modern: St Agnes Church, Middlesbrough

With high unemployment, regular break-ins and plagued by joyriders, the Easterside estate bears witness to the decline of the Teesside iron, steel and shipbuilding industries. Here, I felt as if God was speaking to me when I found my car still intact outside the church as I left. And at the sign of the peace, when many congregations exchange "air kisses" or perfunctory handshakes, the congregation of about 40 sprang into energetic life. The peace took longer than usual, because everyone was determined to hug, shake hands vigorously or exchange quick gossip with everyone else in a display of warmth. After the collection, Mr Simmons took over to celebrate communion. As the male voice sounded out, a slight tremor seemed to go through the many elderly women in the congregation, who seemed proud and protective of their woman deacon. Mr Simmons led us through the eucharistic liturgy with inspiration, bringing it to life in a way that few can do. But, as a man, he nevertheless seemed out of place.

Something of the sorrow of the women denied the priestly ministry for so long came to me as, kneeling for the eucharistic prayer from my seat in the south aisle, all I could see of Mrs Vaughan-Wilson was her hair, bound with a blue ribbon in a ponytail, drooping sadly over her bowed head behind the altar.

The last of our five hymns, "Praise to the holiest in the height", by John Henry Newman, the founder of the Oxford Movement, seemed then an ironic acknowledgement to the enduring patriarchy in the Church of England.

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# Variations on a stripy-leaved theme


FRANCESCA GREENOAK

Mix 'n' match: Roger Platts, the garden designer, enhances shrubs such as the large, dense dogwood *Cornus alternifolia* with other, smaller variegated foliage plants

**Francesca Greenoak** tells why she is succumbing to variegated foliage

Such is the insidious nature of plants that no sooner have you condemned one group or another than you find representatives from among the damned sneaking in by the side gate, commending themselves against your better judgment.

So it was for me with plants with variegated foliage. The conversion is not total: I continue to loathe the glossy-leaved shrub Euonymous Emerald 'n' Gold, the bilious yellow of *Cornus alba* "Spaethii", the gold-blend periwinkle, the white-blotched leaves of variegated honesty, and the pink-tinged maple *Acer negundo* "Flamingo".

My first weakening was to fall for a dainty periwinkle with uneven, ivory-white margins to its widely spaced, grey-green leaves. I saw it in the nursery at the Paradise Centre at Lamarsh Bures in Suffolk. Then, having dismissed the uncouth, white dead-nettle named Silver Beacon, I found its cousin White Nancy irresistible, with its pretty, compact silvery-white foliage and darker green margin, its pure white flowers snuggled into the upper leaves.

Recently, my defences have been destroyed, partly through the agency of the garden designer Roger Platts, of Faircombe, near Maresfield, East Sussex, whose displays at the Chelsea and Hampton Court shows this year were masterly. He combined superb examples of variegated plants, such as an unusually large and dense dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*), with delectable companions, among them the small, white-flowered catmint (*Nepeta x fassenii* "Snowflake"), which has greener leaves than the more common blue-flowered species. Mr Platts is also clever at weaving in different lavenders with flowers such as the silvery-pink geranium A.T. Johnson and the white form of *Geranium sanguineum*. Finally, he adds contrast and depth of colour with the purple form of hemp agrimony, dark astilbes and purple loosestrife.

I found an Aralia tree in a fine silvery-white variegated form at the Bluebell nurseries in Swadlincote, Derbyshire, where Robert Vernon, a connoisseur of unusual trees and shrubs, told how he kept this large but slow-growing shrub in good condition and producing its late-season flowers at eye-level. First, it should be given a sheltered position, then, when it reaches shoulder height, its knobby central shoot should be pinched out as often as it regrows. The plant will then throw out several lateral branches, which will flower lower than usual.

The way to deal with another beautiful variegated dogwood, the variegated form of *Cornus controversa*, is to watch the young plant carefully for the leading shoot, which often grows sideways, not upwards. You then encourage it upwards by tying it to a stick, after which it should develop the famed horizontally tiered branching.

I have never suffered from ground elder, so I am not predisposed against its attractive cream-variegated form, which is not so vigorous or invasive as its weedy counterpart. The same cannot be said of the vigorous green and white grass known as gardener's garters (*Phalaris arundinacea* "Picta"), although this can be useful in a dark corner, or in a tub, which enables you to admire its broad-striped blades without wondering where its rhizomes are heading.

- *Prune gooseberries to remove low, overcrowded criss-cross shoots.*
- *Water container plants towards evening during hot spells.*
- *Sow spring cabbage in colder regions.*
- *Plant colchicums, autumn crocuses and* Cyclamen hederifolium.
- *Take cuttings from fuchsias and plumbago, for next year.*

*Roger Platts, 0825 764077; Bluebell Nursery, 0283 222091; Paradise Centre, 0787 269449.*

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## PAMELA, LADY HARLECH

*Chairman, English National Ballet*



**Where would you go?**
To Beaurecueil in France: a little village in the middle of a plain just beneath Mont Sainte Victoire. It is my idea of bliss to stay in the country but be half an hour away from Aix-en-Provence.

**How would you get there?**
Fly to Marseille then hire a car.

**Where would you stay?**
At the Restaurant Relais Sainte Victoire, an extremely quiet hotel where the staff are incredibly friendly and the food is sensational. I have been there three times and prefer to stay in one of the three first-floor rooms, which have balconies.

**Who would be your perfect companion?**
Someone who likes to read, walk, eat delicious food, drink simple but excellent wines, is a good conversationalist, makes me laugh and thinks I'm wonderful.

**What essential piece of clothing or kit would you take?**
My radio, so that I could listen to the French classical music channel Classique FM.

**What medicines would accompany you?**
Vitamin B complex to combat the effects of a great deal of local red wine in the evenings. Also, my anti-wasp kit: I am allergic to wasps so I have to carry it everywhere.

**What would you have to eat?**
Fish, fresh salad, bread, cheese.

**Which books would you take to read?**
Susan Howatch's ecclesiastical series of novels — a favourite of mine — some Anthony Trollope and a few really good rubbishy novels for the aeroplane.

**What music would you listen to?**
Prokofiev, Mozart, Schubert and Verdi and Wagner operas.

**What would you watch on television?**
Nothing.

**What film would you watch?**
Almost any Bette Davis or Cary Grant film.

**Would you play any games or sport?**
Not if I could help it. I hate sport.

**What luxury would you take?**
Four empty suitcases to fill with dark green olive oil, big pink garlic, saucissons, tomatoes, black olives, and some unusual Provençal pottery.

**What piece of art would you like to have there?**
Any of the Matisse sculptures or Elisabeth Frink's drawings and sculpture of boars.

**Who would be your least welcome guest?**
People who have to occupy every minute of the day and those who talk incessantly, mainly about themselves.

**What three things would you leave behind?**
Worries about English National Ballet funding, people who whine, and sadly, my dog and two cats.

**What three things would you most like to do?**
1. Go to the opera at the Aix-en-Provence Festival, which happens in June. 2. Find a perfect house, which needs little alteration, to buy at a cheap price. 3. Read all the books I brought with me.

**Who would you send a postcard to?**
My daughter and the six friends I always send postcards to.

**What souvenir would you bring home?**
The memory of the red and yellow sunset of Provence along with a feeling of well-being.

**What would you like to find when you got home?**
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When a doll fetches more than £90,000 at auction, it is time for a grown-up appraisal. **Sarah Jane Holland**





Little people: some of the estimated 1,000 dolls in conservator Faith Eaton's collection, which has a serious purpose – "I am intensely interested in how people lived, and how their clothes reflect contemporary fashions," she says.

COLLECTING

# Hello dolly, goodbye childhood

Grown-ups are meant to put away childish things. Doll collectors do the opposite. They congregate at Christie's South Kensington to bill and coo over the bodies on the racks. They fill their living-rooms with their still and staring brood.

Some model themselves on the objects of their obsession, attending auctions in frilly frocks and Alice in Wonderland hair bands. Some, such as Colette Mansell of Leominster, even resemble their dolls. Ms Mansell owns 500 Sindy dolls, and says: "People say I look a bit like Sindy, partly because I'm blonde and I wear lots of bright pinks."

Not surprisingly, considering the interest, prices for dolls can compete with those for fine art items. The current world record is £90,200 for a "character doll", or doll with life-like expression. Made in bisque or unglazed porcelain around 1909 by the German company, Kämmer & Reinhardt, she came to the rostrum in a nightie, with her red hair ruffled and wearing an expression that suggested irritation at having been woken up.

### Jargon

☐ *Dutch doll: a term for German wooden dolls, probably a corruption of Deutsche. Four-headed doll: doll sold with four detachable heads, each with a different expression. Flirty eyes: glass eyes that open, close and move.*

Doll collecting can be seen as the continuation of a rich tradition that started with the use of dolls as fertility and voodoo objects. In the 18th century, women who had lost their babies were given wax effigies to place in the cradle as an early form of therapy. But Faith Eaton, a collector and professional doll restorer based in London, makes a convincing case for buying dolls for objective socio-historical reasons: "I am intensely interested in how people lived, and how their clothes reflect contemporary fashions," she says.

Although she owns about 1,000 dolls, she has them stored away because, she says, she does not want to "become obsessed" with them.

Miss Eaton is now so renowned among doll collectors that she was recently commissioned by the staff in charge of the royal collections to attend to the needs of the two most glamorous dolls of this century, "France" and "Marianne". Made by the French company Jumeau, they were a gift from the children of France to the princesses Elizabeth and Margaret during the 1938 state visit of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth to France.

The dolls came with an extraordinary trousseau, which included clothes designed by famous couturiers of the day, a miniature Sèvres tea service, jewellery by Cartier, handbags and gloves by Hermès, and even two electric cars. "*The Times* wrote eulogies about them when they were first presented," Miss Eaton says. "They even wrote leaders about them." Her job, just completed, included restringing the dolls' jointed limbs and "freshening up" their wardrobes.

The fun items, such as the limousines, are understood to have suffered the most wear, but, Miss Eaton says, they are now separated from the main collection, highlights of which are on show at Windsor Castle.

"France" and "Marianne" represent one end of the doll market, which is divided into two main types: the so-called "Sunday dolls", which were brought out on special occasions for girls to hold, and the routine, knock-about doll as represented by the cloth doll and its descendant, today's mass-produced vinyl doll.

The second category stands at the cheaper end of today's collector market. The do... features are either painted ... sewn on. Due to the fragility ... materials, few survive. T... record here is £8,250 for a ra... 1920s example modelled ... Rudolf Valentino.

The Sunday doll forms t... bulk of the market, startin...

### Museum

☐ *Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Road, London EC2 (081-980 2415) has a large collection.*

### Condition

☐ *In general, the less restoration the better. Watch out for hairline cracks because they can drastically lower values. Beware of new heads on old bodies: today's reproductions are very skilled. Always try to get a receipt giving a full description.*



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Doll toll: Christie's expert Olivia Bristol with some of her charges and, above, Faith Eaton with "Marianne", one of the Jumeau dolls given ...


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# Checkland looks in the toy-box

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...t come the English-pro... wax dolls of the mid... ...century, which were ... the first to represent ...ed children rather than ... A poured-wax example, ...actured around 1860, ...cently for £1,980.



...owever, the genre reaches its apogee in the late 19th and early 20th ..., with the porcelain ...at were mass produced ...ce and Germany. Fac... such as Jumeau and ...r in France became ...s for their "Parisiennes", ...l dolls whose clothes and shapes epitomised the styles. At Christie's last ... June, a smiling French ...ith original long blonde ...r ringlets and a chic ...ilk wedding dress and ... in sold for £3,080, while ...shionable doll's dresses ...1870s sold for £550.

...nany produced many ...nt types, often undercut-



## Restoration

☐ *Never use yellow beeswax to restore a wax doll because it seeps into the surrounding wax, resulting in a jaundiced look. For better results contact the Museums & Galleries Commission Conservation Unit for a list of commended restorers: 16 Queen Anne's Gate, London, SW1H 9AA (071-223 3683).*

## Publications

☐ *Doll Reader magazine includes articles on antique and new dolls; 900 Frederick Street, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502, USA (010 1 301 7593770); $35 per annum.* Miller's Antiques Checklist on Dolls and Teddy Bears *provides a fast and accurate way of recognising and identifying different makes (Mitchell Beazley, £8.99).*

...ting the opposition with its manufacturing techniques. The most famous line was the "googlie-eyed doll", invented by an American illustrator called Grace Gebbie Drayton around 1911 and produced in Germany for the next 20 years. One example, sporting a disgruntled water-melon mouth", made by the Heubach Koppelsdorf factory, fetched £3,080 at Christie's last month.

But beginners need not spend so much. A "Dream Baby" doll by Armand Marseille (first made around 1924) can be acquired for as little as £150, while bargains at Christie's in June included a Parisienne in her underclothes at £242.

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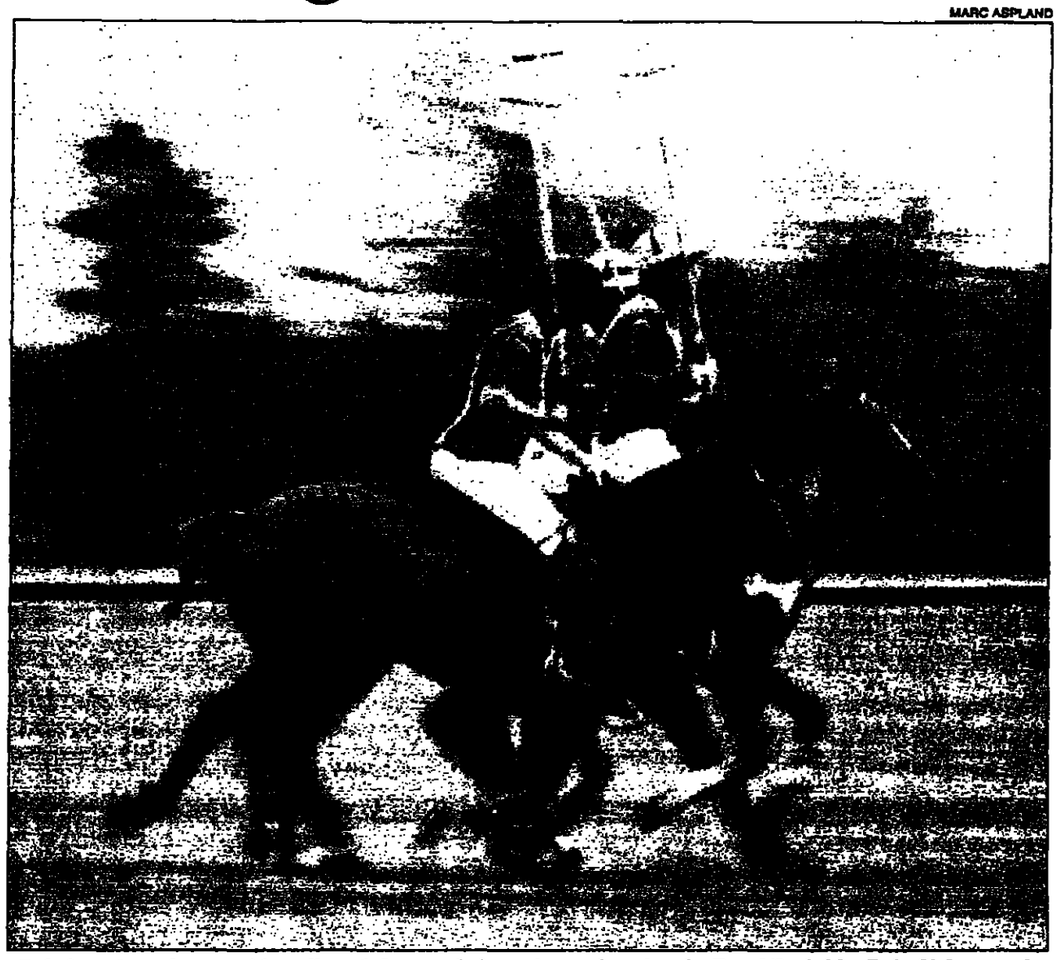
...e VI and Queen Elizabeth for their daughters during a 1938 state visit to France

SPORTING LIFE

# The challenge of the chukka

**John Watson reports on the glamour, discipline and daunting costs of playing polo**

MARC ASPLAND



**Polo in action: players, with mallets aloft, urge their ponies goalward at the Royal Berkshire Polo Club ground**

Polo's equine rhythm, along with the glamorous aura surrounding the game, sets it apart from all others. There is also an intimidating complexity in its conduct and rules, and even more daunting costs, factors that have put off many who have contemplated having a go.

The first-time spectator may gaze in disbelief as players, mounted on rushing ponies, attempt to drive, with long and strangely balanced mallets, a small white ball towards a goalmouth, while their opponents try to obstruct that endeavour and keep the ball to themselves. Seeing the play swing up and down the green pitch in a flurry of mallets and pony stampedes, the spectator would be convinced, quite rightly, that polo is the most difficult of all games to master.

The ground, which is usually bounded by 11in-high boards, measures about 300yd by 200yd. Goalposts are eight yards apart. Matches are divided into four, five or six periods (chukkas), the number depending on the handicap grade of the challenge. Each chukka lasts seven and a half minutes. The winning team is the one to score most goals. In the case of a draw, play usually goes into extra time.

Teams comprise four players. The numbers One and Two are the forwards. Behind them rides the number Three (the team pivot, who is usually the captain), and behind him the Back. But the positions are flexible and interchangeable.

Players are rated with a handicap, newcomers being minus two. The top is ten, or "ten goals". If an individual is rated at, say six, he is a "six-goaler". Team strengths are judged by their collective handicaps: if the aggregate is 13, we talk of a 13-goal team.

The two mounted umpires (only one in lesser matches) are distinguished by their black-and-white striped shirts. Games start with the ball being thrown between the line-ups of the two teams, halfway down the sideline.

At least as important as the players are the ponies, although since most now measure more than 15 hands, they are technically horses. The term "pony" dates from the days when there was a 14.2 hands height limit.

The beginner will need only one pony, but once he starts in matches, unless he is hiring, he will need at least two of his own, as matches comprise a minimum of four chukkas, and no pony should ever be required to play more than two chukkas a day. (The hectic character of high-goal polo — in which aggregate team handicaps total 17 or more — is such that each pony will probably be ridden out for only one chukka a day).

A team drawing on ponies of superior speed and handiness has an advantage over its opponents. Pony power is often the most important winning factor. It is the pony, chiefly, which makes polo so expensive. The beginner may be lucky to find an "old Dobbin" on which to practise "stick-and-ball" for as little as £800, but he is unlikely to pay much less than £1,500 once he is in games. The price of ponies on the high-goal scene is upwards of £15,000.

Although success at polo is much more about being a natural ball-game player (tennis, squash, cricket and so on) than being a "born horseman", clearly the tyro who acquires a "good seat" and "good hands" and some equestrian athleticism will be off to a good start. In fact, a minimum "safe and sound" horsemanship will be an imperative once the beginner starts in games.

All polo players should also acquaint themselves closely with the principles of feeding, watering, stabling, boxing, overwintering, saddlery and with equine ailments and injuries.

Polo requires a high degree of physical fitness. The tyro would start with two phases: endeavouring to get riding fit and improving his equitation, and, secondly, practising the polo strokes from atop the back of a chair or a wooden horse. He should also watch a lot of high-class polo to learn from the gladiators and to understand the right-of-way rule and other pitfalls of the game.

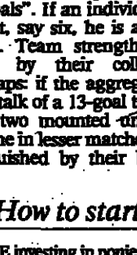
● *John Watson is* The Times *polo correspondent and author of* The World of Polo: Past and Present *and* A Concise Guide to Polo *(The Sportsman's Press, £19.95 and £8.95, respectively).*

## *How to start*

BEFORE investing in ponies, it is best to see whether you have a natural aptitude for the game by taking lessons, or undergoing a full course, with one of the clubs providing such facilities. The schools approved by the Hurlingham Polo Association, the ruling body of the game, are listed below. As an example of what is generally offered, here are the facilities and prices of the Ascot Park Club:

■ **Lessons:** Two-hour sessions cost £60 each, pony and equipment provided; five-day course (10am-6pm), £1,000; "bomb-proof" ponies for those who have never ridden before; electric horse giving simulated action in a wire safety cage; lessons in the holidays for the young; evening lessons for business people; weekend lessons (11am-1pm).

■ **Cost of basic equipment for the player:** cap £95, faceguard £45, breeches £60-70, boots £250-500, spurs £20-50, whip £10-35, gloves £20-40, shirt £20-30, stick £55, pads £30, ball £2.



■ **Equipment for the pony:** bridle with reins and bit £110-135, martingale £35, saddle £495-550, girth £15-45, buffalo leathers £35, stirrup irons £20-25, breast girth £35, surcingle £25, saddle cloth £18, bandages (set of four) £18, or (protective boots) £36, New Zealand rug £40-70, stable rug £25-40, head collar/lead £12-20.

■ **UK equipment suppliers:** The Polo Shop, Lodsworth, near Petworth, West Sussex (0798 5585); J. Salter & Son, 23 High Street, Aldershot, Hants (0252 25692); W & H Gidden, 15D Clifford St, London (071-734 2788).

■ **Training:** The following clubs have facilities for beginners and others: Ascot Park, Beaufort, Cambridge & Newmarket, Checkendon, Cirencester, Cowdray, Epsom, Ham, Kirtlington, Knepp Castle, Rhinefield, Royal County of Berkshire, Taunton Vale, Tidworth, Toulston, West Somerset, Whitfield Court (Ireland). Addresses from the Hurlingham Polo Association (0869 50044).

■ *John Watson previews the Cartier matches in today's Sport section.*


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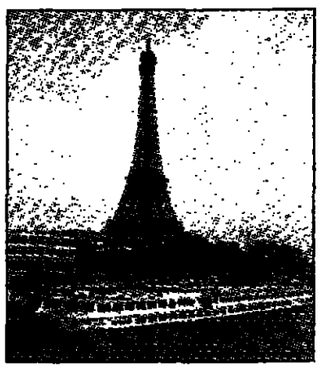
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DAY 2 Honfleur-Caen Drive to Caen and the great romanesque abbey founded by William the Conqueror. Continue to the Musee de la Paix an extraordinary museum that catalogues the events of the Second World War on film and display. Sail in the evening.

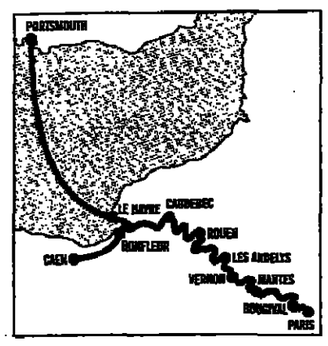
DAY 3 Candebec-Rouen Sail to the village of Candebec. Opportunity to visit the Victor Hugo Museum in Villequier and the abbeys of St Wandrille Jumieges and St Martin de Boscherville. In the afternoon sail on to Rouen arriving in the early evening. Moor overnight in Rouen.

DAY 4 Rouen-Les Andelys Explore Rouen on foot, see the great gothic cathedral of Notre Dame, the Old Market Place, the Justice Palace and the Altre St-Maclou. Sail in the afternoon to Andelys. This is a lovely stretch of river as the Seine winds its way through the chalk cliffs. Evening visit to Chateau Gaillard. Moor overnight.

DAY 5 Les Andelys-Vernon-Mantes Morning free in Les Andelys, perhaps visit the museum dedicated to the works of Nicholas Poussin or join an excursion to the 14th century Chateau de Vascouil. Sail during lunch to Vernon. Opportunity to visit nearby Giverny and Monet's home and the Japanese Garden (Water Lillies). Sail in the evening to Mantes La Jolie.

DAY 6 Bougival-Paris Join an overland tour to Versailles or stay on board cruising to Paris. Farewell dinner on board sailing through Paris and moor overnight at the Quai de Grenelle, under the shadow of the Eiffel Tower.

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Strange as it may seem, you cannot simply choose to whom you are going to leave your French home — unlike in the UK, where you are free to leave all your worldly goods to the dogs' home if you wish.

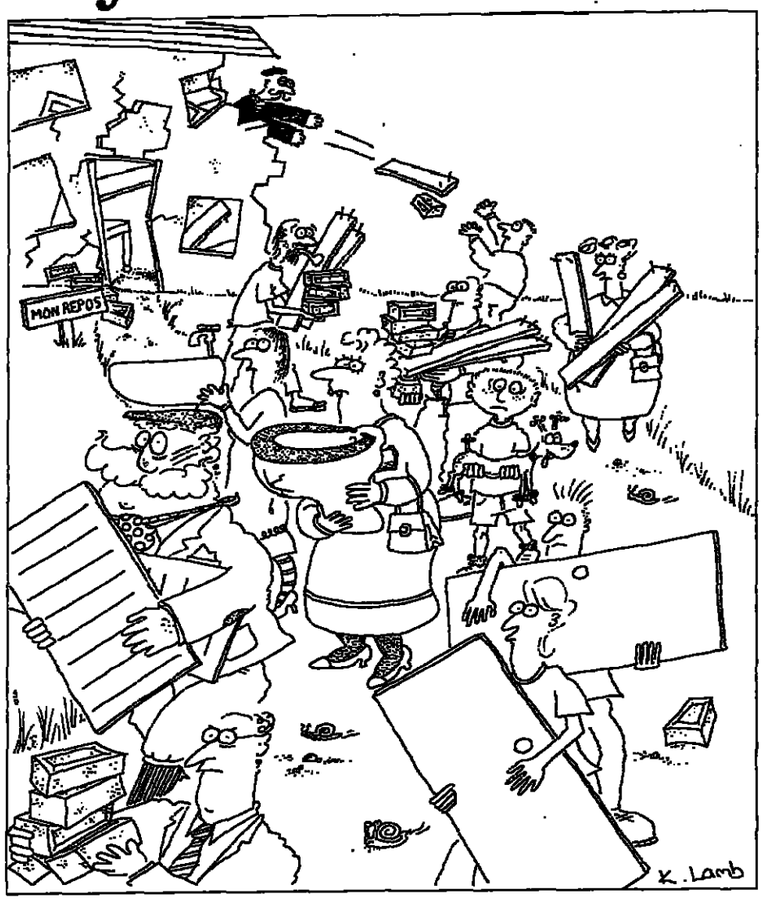
French inheritance law ensures that certain members of the family (but not spouses) have an absolute right to inherit a certain part of your estate. Should a spouse die, his or her half of the house does not automatically pass to the survivor, even if that wish was specified in a will.

Laws of succession designed to protect the family make it obligatory to leave a specific proportion of your estate to your offspring. If you have one child, half your estate must go to him or her. If you have two children, they each get a third; three children or more are entitled to three quarters of your estate in equal shares. This could cause problems for the surviving spouse, particularly if the children were from the deceased's previous marriage.

It could also leave a young parent, with a child under 18 years old, in a very difficult position. Faced with a bill for inheritance tax, a surviving spouse or partner is not allowed to sell the house on behalf of the children.

If you have no children, your parents have first claim on your estate. They will have to pay death duties before they are able to enjoy their French home.

Inheritance taxes, or death duties *(doits de succession)*, are payable by anyone who inherits property in France.




These vary according to the kinship between the deceased and his heirs; the closer the relatives, the less tax they have to pay. However, there is no exemption for husbands and wives, as in Britain. Children and spouses pay least tax, from 5 per cent to 35 per cent, depending on the value of the legacy; more distant relatives or friends pay the most at 60 per cent. There is a tax-free allowance of up to FFr275,000 (about £31,000) for children and spouses.

Whether you decide to settle in France, or simply own a holiday home there, you will be subject to this rule. One way around French succession rules is to buy *en tontine* (joint purchases). Make sure before you sign that *en tontine donation entre époux* is included in the deed of sale *(acte de vente)*. This ensures that the property will pass automatically to the surviving partner. However, the inheritance tax bill will be higher.

Alternatively, two or more people can set up a property-owning company, SCI *(société civile immobilière)*, and issue shares. The house is owned by the company and the shares can be left to anyone you choose. UK residents who buy their property through an SCI avoid French inheritance laws and can more easily and tax-efficiently transfer ownership to children.

It costs about FFr8,000 to FFr15,000 (£900 to £1,700) to set up an SCI. To these charges must be added stamp duty, the usual legal fees and other purchase costs. It is important to buy through an SCI at the outset; if you decide to transfer the property later on, you will have to pay a second set of transfer fees as well as the set-up costs of the company.

Expert legal advice is essential here. You can ask the *notaire* through whom you are buying the property to create an SCI or ask a French accountant. There are also a number of specialist UK solicitors who can set up an SCI on your behalf in Britain.

If you are married, a recently enacted law will give you a third way to get around French succession laws. Under the new law, a marriage contract can be drawn up which allows goods to be jointly owned and to pass to a surviving spouse without the interference of children or other *héritiers réservataires* (parents, grandparents, siblings, etc) — or even the payment of inheritance tax in France. This new regime is called *communauté universelle*. There are still disadvantages, however, and legal advice is essential.

CHERYL TAYLOR

● *For a helpful leaflet on setting up an SCI (property owning company), send a stamped, self-addressed envelope (34p) to French property consultants Crabb & Templeton Associates, Chapel Plaister, near Corsham, Wilts (0225 810531).*

● *For legal advice, contact Stephen Smith, Elm House, 25 Elm Street, Ipswich, Suffolk (0473 232121).*

### *Alpine retreat in the Haute-Savoie*

A TRADITIONAL timber-clad chalet in the northern French Alps is for sale at FFr1.25 million (about £142,000), including agents' fees, through Alpine Apartments Agency, Hinton Manor, Eardisland, Leominster, Herefordshire (05447 234).

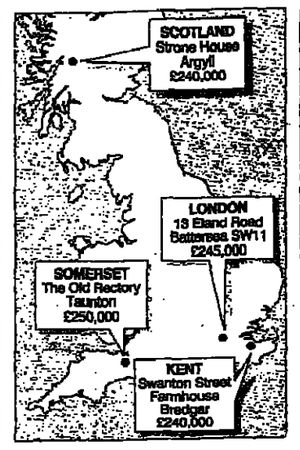
Built of stone and wood under a low-pitched slate roof, the chalet is perched on a wooded mountainside with wonderful views over the pretty Alpine village of Chatel (1,300m). It lies in the Portes du Soleil ski area, between Mont Blanc and Lake Geneva, about 90 minutes' drive from Geneva airport.

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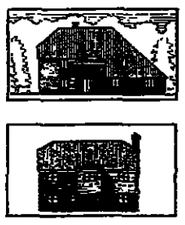
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## THEATRE

### LONDON

**ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA:** Richard Johnson and Clare Higgins star in a golden-hued production, directed by John Caird, that tends to touch the mind more than the heart.
**Barbican**, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Today, 2pm and 7.15pm. Then in repertoire. 🔊

**AT THE BLACK PIG'S DYKE:** Druid Theatre's powerful drama brought over for LIFT but staying until the end of the month. Irish myths, mummers dressed in straw and life today on the Leitrim-Fermanagh border. Last week.
**Tricycle**, 269 Kilburn High Road, NW6 (071-328 1000). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Sat, 4pm. 🔊

**A CONNECTICUT YANKEE:** Ian Talbot revives the Rodgers/Hart musical based on Mark Twain. Witty lyrics, pretty songs.
**Open Air Theatre**, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431). Preview Tues, 8pm. Opens Wed, 8pm, Thurs, 2.30pm and 8pm, Fri, 8pm. Then in repertoire. Until Sept 8. 🔊



American in Moscow: Sara Kestelman, *Misha's Party*

**THE CRIMINAL PROSECUTION AND CAPITAL PUNISHMENT OF ANIMALS:** A barely believable custom, still practised today by backward people. Ricci Harnett repeats his heartbreaking performance as a dog tortured for suspected sodomy.
**Lyric Studio**, King Street, Hammersmith, W6 (081-741 2311). Previews Tues, Wed, 8pm. Opens Thurs, 8pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm. Mat Sat, 4.30pm. Until Aug 14. 🔊

**GREASE:** Teenage love and rock, with Craig McLachlan in the lead role.
**Dominion**, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm.

**HERE:** Iain Glen, Teresa Banham, Brenda Bruce in new Michael Frayn play on the anxieties of moving into a new home.
**Donmar Warehouse**, Earlham St, WC2 (071-867 1150). Previews from Thurs 8pm. Opens Aug 4, 7pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm. Mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. Limited run, ends Sept 11. 🔊

**JUNO AND THE PAYCOCK:** Return of the acclaimed Gate Theatre, Dublin, production after its run at the Albery.
**Wyndham's**, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-876 1116). Mon-Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed (July 28, Aug 4, 11 only), 2.30pm and Sat, 2.30pm.

**THE LAST YANKEE:** Subtle and touching Arthur Miller premiere: Margot Leicester, Peter Davison lead a quartet of troubled Americans.
**Duke of York's**, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm. 🔊

**LUST:** Following their *Slice of Saturday Night* the Heather Brothers put *The Country Wife* to music: 21 numbers and Denis Lawson as the rake who pretends to be impotent.
**Theatre Royal**, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 5pm.

**LYSISTRATA:** Geraldine James in Peter Hall's production where organs and actions are called by their proper (improper?) names and the men sport rubber phalluses.
**Old Vic**, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 🔊

**MARVIN'S ROOM:** Alison Steadman as a kindhearted Florida woman facing up to mortality in Scott McPherson's excellent, sane quirky play.
**Hampstead**, Swiss Cottage Centre, NW3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 🔊

**MISHA'S PARTY:** Barry Foster in the title role of a play set against the 1991 Moscow coup. Co-written by the American Richard Nelson and the Russian Alexander Gelman. With Sara Kestelman as Mary, an American caught up in the intrigue.
**The Pit**, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Fri, 7.15pm. Then in repertoire.

**THE MOUNTAIN GIANTS:** Sian Thomas, Desmond Barrit in Pirandello's last play, which was completed by Charles Wood. Puzzling but a must for fans.
Directed by William Gaskill.
**National** (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, Mon 7.30pm, mat today, 2.30pm. 🔊

**MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING:** Shakespeare on Shaftesbury Avenue, with Mark Rylance and Janet McTeer, proves funnier and friendlier than many a subsidised production.
**Queen's**, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm.

**SUNSET BOULEVARD:** Triumph for Patti Lupone as the faded star in Lloyd Webber's success; less cynical than the Wilder film but a thrilling occasion. Trevor Nunn directs.
**Adelphi Theatre**, Strand, WC2 (071-344 0055). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs and Sat 3pm.

### REGIONAL

**BAGNOR:** Tessa Wyatt in the company of four performing the excellent Waterhouse/Hall farce *Say Who You Are*. Robin Midgeley directs.
**Watermill**, Bagnor, near Newbury (0635 46044). Opens Tues, 7.30pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.30pm. Mats Thurs, 2.30pm and Sat, 2.30pm (except gala nights on Aug 7, Sept 4, 6.30pm). Until Sept 4. 🔊

**LEATHERHEAD:** Peter Hall's production of *She Stoops to Conquer* starts pre-London tour, with Donald Sinden as Mr Hardcastle, Miriam Margolyes as Mrs Hardcastle and David Essex as Tony Lumpkin.
**Thorndyke**, Church Street (0372 377677). Previews from Wed, 7.30pm. Opens Aug 3, 7.30pm. Until Aug 21. 🔊

**LEEDS:** Premiere of *Father's Day* commissioned from Maureen Lawrence: mother and daughter look after the head of the family, once all-powerful, now senile.
**Courtyard Theatre**, West Yorkshire Playhouse, Quarry Hill Mount (0532 442111). Previews tonight and Mon, 7.45pm. Opens Tues, 7.45pm. Then Mon-Sat, 7.45pm. Mats Sat (July 31, Aug 14), 4pm. Until Aug 21. 🔊

**STRATFORD UPON AVON:** David Sumner, Jeffery Kissoon, Barry Lynch in David Thacker's promenade production of *Julius Caesar*. Regional tour follows.
**The Other Place** (0789 295623). Previews from Wed, 7.30pm. Opens Aug 5, 7pm. Until Sept 25. 🔊

## FILM

**BAMBI** (U): Disney's classic about a young deer's forest life: still magical and moving after 51 years. Director, David Hand.
**MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-630 0310) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Odeon Mezzanine** (0426-915 683) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057) **UCI Whiteleys** (071-792 3303).

**BARAKA** (PG): A perfect coffee-table book of a film, surveying the world's miseries and wonders from Kuwait to Kathmandu. Director-photographer, Ron Frick.
**MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527).

**BENNY & JOON** (12): Zany love story starring Johnny Depp, Mary Stuart Masterson and Aidan Quinn; director, Jeremiah Chechik.
**MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **MGM Trocadero** 🔊 (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999).



Magical as ever: young Bambi in Disney's classic

**CLIFFHANGER** (15): Sylvester Stallone tangles with John Lithgow's baddies high in the Rockies. Pitiful dialogue, but non-stop action. Renny Harlin directed.
**MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** 🔊 (071-792 3332).

**EQUINOX** (15): Alan Rudolph's intoxicating tale of lost souls in a crumbling metropolis, jam-packed with visual magic. With Matthew Modine, Lara Flynn Boyle.
**MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Metro** (071-437 0757).

**THE FENCING MASTER** (12): Intrigue, romance and political unrest in 1860s Spain; a modest pleasure from director Pedro Olea. With Omero Antonutti, Assumpta Serna.
**Barbican** 🔊 (071-638 8891) **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666).

**HOUSE OF ANGELS** (15): Liberated newcomers upset the calm of a Swedish village. Humane comedy from British-born director Colin Nutley. With Helena Bergström, Rikard Wolff.
**Curzon West End** (071-439 4805) **Screen on the Hill** 🔊 (071-435 3366).

**JURASSIC PARK** (PG): Michael Crichton's best-seller becomes a clumsy vehicle for rampaging dinos and superior special effects. Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Richard Attenborough. Director, Stephen Spielberg.
**Barbican** 🔊 (071-638 8891) **Camden Parkway** (071-267 7034) **Empire** 🔊 (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Fulham Road** 🔊 (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** 🔊 (071-434 0031) **Plaza** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** 🔊 (071-792 3332).

**MAD DOG AND GLORY** (15): Gangster Bill Murray rewards forlorn drudge Robert De Niro by giving him Uma Thurman for a week. Bewitching off-beat comic romance; director, John McNaughton.
**Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** 🔊 (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** 🔊 (071-792 3332).

**RED ROCK WEST** (15): Enjoyable thriller, with Nicolas Cage sucked into a whirlpool of greed and deceit; director, John Dahl.
**Camden Parkway** (071-267 7034) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Oxford Street** (071-636 0310) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772).

**STORYVILLE** (15): Political corruption, murder and sex in New Orleans: a fruity mixture that tastes disappointingly flat. Mark Frost directs James Spader, Joanne Whalley-Kilmer.
**MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeon Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057).

**SUPER MARIO BROS** (PG): Video game stars penetrate a parallel universe of reptilian thugs. Ponderous, excessive extravaganza, with Bob Hoskins, Dennis Hopper. Directors, Rocky Morton and Annabel Jankel.
**MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426 915683) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **UCI Whiteleys** 🔊 (071-792 3332).

**TANGO** (15): Philippe Noiret, Richard Bohringer and Thierry Lhermitte aim to kill an errant wife. Tedious, empty, misogynist comedy from Patrice Leconte.
**Camden Plaza** (071-485 2443) **Chelsea Cinema** (071-351 3742) **Gate** (071-727 4043) **Lumiere** (071-836 0691).

## MUSIC

### CLASSICAL

**PROMS:** Dvořák's Piano Concerto, first performed in Prague in 1878, is not a regular fixture in the repertoire: listeners have a rare chance to decide whether the neglect is undeserved when the American pianist Garrick Ohlsson plays it tomorrow with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic under Libor Pešek. Elgar (Introduction and Allegro) and Beethoven ("Pastoral" Symphony) make up the rest of the programme. Thursday offers a treat for devotees of English music when Vernon Handley conducts the BBC Concert Orchestra in a programme of works by Elgar (The Wand of Youth — Suite No 1), Delius (Cello Concerto — soloist, Alexander Baillie), Vaughan Williams (On Wenlock Edge) and Bliss (A Colour Symphony). The week ends on Friday with what should be one of the highlights of this year's season — Messiaen's massive Turangalîla Symphony, performed by the BBC Symphony Orchestra under Mark Wigglesworth. Before the interval, Dame Gwyneth Jones joins the orchestra for the Prelude and *Liebestod* from Wagner's *Tristan and Isolde*.
**Albert Hall**, Kensington Gore, London, SW7 (071-589 8212), all 7.30pm. 🔊

**KRONOS QUARTET:** The fashionable string quartet performs with artists including Zimbabwe's Shona music guru, Thomas Mapfumo, making his only UK appearance this year.
**Barbican**, Silk Street, London, EC2 (071-638 8891), today, 7.30pm. 🔊

### OPERA

**NABUCCO:** The Medway Arts Festival gets off to a spectacular start with an open-air production of Verdi's *Nabucco*. This single performance by a 170-strong company in Rochester Castle gardens marks the British debut of the Romanian State Opera. The director is Hero Lupescu, whose credits include the opening ceremony of the 1982 World Cup.
**Castle Gardens**, Rochester, tonight, 8pm. Festival Box Office, Old Town Hall, Chatham (0634 408965/811113).

### ROCK

**PRINCE:** If his latest pronouncements are to be believed, this mercurial singer is at a watershed. His stated intention is to change his name to a rather inconvenient symbol and to perform his current repertoire of songs for the last time on this tour. A greatest hits package should follow later in the year.
**Birmingham, NIA** 🔊 (021-200 2222), Mon and Tues, 7pm. **Edinburgh**, Meadowbank Stadium 🔊 (031-557 6969), Thurs, 4pm. **London**, Wembley Stadium 🔊 (081-900 1234; disabled bookings 081-902 8833), next Sat, 2.30pm.



Princely ambition: the mercurial pop singer begins a high profile tour (see Rock)

**TAKE THAT:** The teenybopper sensation whose new single, "Pray", entered the charts in true pop fashion at No 1, demonstrate their popularity with three consecutive gigs in the mammoth venue.
**Wembley Arena**, London 🔊 (081-900 1234; disabled bookings 081-902 8833 ext 5108), today, tomorrow and Mon, 7pm.

**IGGY POP:** The wild man of rock, once lead singer with influential band The Stooges, plays some high-energy gigs.
**Cambridge**, Corn Exchange 🔊 (0223 357851), Tues, 6.45pm. **Leeds**, Town and Country Club 🔊 (0532 800100), Wed, 7pm.

### JAZZ

**JOE HENDERSON TRIO.** A welcome one-off performance from this mature tenor saxophonist whose 1992 *Lush Life* album, featuring the music of Billy Strayhorn, was a melodic breath of fresh air.
**Queen Elizabeth Hall**, London, SE1 (071-928 8800), Mon, 7.45pm. 🔊

**CHARLES BROWN:** A significant influence on Ray Charles, this fine rhythm and blues pianist and singer made his name in the 1950s and has enjoyed renewed popularity over the last five years.
**Ronnie Scott's**, Birmingham (021-643 4525), Mon-next Sat, 7.30pm. 🔊

## DANCE

**KIROV BALLET:** The Kirov continues its marathon Coliseum season with more performances of *The Sleeping Beauty*, *Le Corsaire* and *Swan Lake*, the final three performances of which will be the version by the company's artistic director Oleg Vinogradov. The Kirov ends its London residency with *Le Corsaire*, the most entertaining offering in the repertoire.
**Coliseum**, St Martin's Lane, London, WC2 (071-836 3161). *Sleeping Beauty*: today, 2pm, 7.30pm, Mon, 7.30pm. *Swan Lake*: Tues-Thurs, 7.30pm. *Le Corsaire:* Friday, 7.30pm, next Sat, 2p, 7.30p.

**ENGLISH NATIONAL BALLET.** On the same night the Kirov presents the Vinogradov version of *Swan Lake*, English National Ballet presents the London premiere of its new production, by the former Russian ballerina Raissa Struchkova. Her restaging, after the traditional Bolshoi version by Alexander Gorsky and Asaf Messerer, has already proved a valuable addition to the repertoire.
**Festival Hall**, South Bank, London, SE1 (071-928 8800), Tues-next Sat, 7.30pm, mats, Wed, next Sat, 2.30pm.

**BIRMINGHAM ROYAL BALLET:** The Royal Ballet's sister company visits Covent Garden with a fine season starting with a *Sleeping Beauty* that could give the Kirov a run for its money. There are also two performances of a triple bill that brings together Ninette de Valois's biblical ballet, *Job*, and the superb reconstruction of Massine's brilliant and quirky symphonic ballet, *Choreartium*.
**Royal Opera House**, Covent Garden, London, WC2 (071-240 1066), *Sleeping Beauty*: Mon, Tues, Fri, next Sat, 7.30pm. Mixed bill: Wed, Thurs, 7.30pm

**IS THAT ALL THERE IS?:** The woman who inspired Rilke and had a love affair with Nietzsche is the subject of a new production combining dance, text and painting, choreographed by Amir Hossempour. Lou Salome was a Russian aristocrat and philosopher whose love affairs and ambiguous sexuality fascinated composers, poets and artists in turn-of-the-century Europe. The poetry of Rilke, Heine and Mandelstam will be spoken over a soundtrack incorporating the music of Shostakovich, Brahms, Berg, Mahler and Schnittke. Liliane Montevecchi stars.
**Almeida Theatre**, Almeida Street, London, N1 (071-359 4404), Thurs-next Sat, 8pm, mat next Sat, 3pm.

## EXHIBITIONS

### LONDON

**MARLENE DUMAS:** The work of this Dutch artist is sometimes heavily expressionist, sometimes simply drawing on canvas, but always based on the human figure in all its complexity and ambiguity.
**Institute of Contemporary Arts**, The Mall, SW1 (071-873 0061). Daily, midday-7.30pm (Tues till 9pm), opens Thurs until Sept 19. 🔊

**PARADISE:** The Wahgi tribe of Papua New Guinea encountered modern man for the first time just 60 years ago. This exhibition examines through documents and artefacts the way the Wahgi have changed, and the ways in which they have kept continuity.
**Museum of Mankind**, Burlington Gardens, W1 (071-323 8043). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, 2.30-6pm, until Dec 11 1994. 🔊

**ARATJARA:** A show of contemporary aboriginal art, which may use traditional form but is more likely to reinterpret traditional images in modern media.
**Hayward Gallery**, South Bank, SE1 (071-261 0127). Daily 10am-6pm (Tues-Wed to 8pm), until Oct 10. 🔊

**BURNE-JONES:** After a period of neglect, Edward Burne-Jones is receiving increasing critical attention these days. Virtually self-taught, he belongs to the second, more openly symbolist phase of Pre-Raphaelitism, and has many connections with the Arts and Crafts movement.
**Tate Gallery**, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313). Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun, 2-5.50pm, until Nov 7. 🔊

**PICTURES IN PICTURES:** The second of the National Gallery's new series of small shows "Themes and Variations" draws on the gallery's collection to indicate the different ways a variety of painters from Vermeer to Degas have used pictures as more or less significant props in interiors they themselves were depicting.
**National Gallery**, Trafalgar Square, London, WC2 (071-839 3321). Mon-Sat, 10am-6pm (Wed to 8pm), Sun, 2-6pm, until Sept 19 🔊

**PISSARRO: THE IMPRESSIONIST AND THE CITY:** In the last decade of his life (1893-1903) Pissarro virtually forsook the rural themes of his earlier work for an extended consideration of the Paris street scene. This show of more than 60 of his paintings makes a case for his sense of painting in series.
**Royal Academy of Arts**, Piccadilly, W1 (071-439 7438). Daily, 10am-6pm, until Oct 10. 🔊

### REGIONAL

**THE SUSSEX SCENE:** What sounds like an exercise in local history proves to be a microcosm of 20th-century British landscape art. An amazing number and variety of important artists, from Sickert to Jackowski, have visited or lived in the county, perhaps the most striking remain Eric Gill, Paul Nash, Ivon Hitchens and Edward Burra. The exhibition of more than 100 works is divided in two halves. Until August 22, Part 1 is at Eastbourne and Part 2, Hove, swapping over from August 28-October 10.
**Hove Museum and Art Gallery**, 10 New Church Street, Hove (0273 779410). Tues-Fri, 10am-5pm, Sat, 10am-4.30pm, Sun, 2-5pm. 🔊
**Towner Art Gallery**, High Street, Old Town, Eastbourne (0323 411688). Wed-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun, Bank Holiday Mondays, 2-5pm.

**THE QUEEN IS CROWNED:** Marking the 40th anniversary of the Queen's coronation, this show re-creates the London of 1953, when the eyes of the world were upon this definitive end to wartime austerity. It features art, photographs and memorabilia of the actual coronation.
**Albert Memorial Chapel**, Windsor Castle (0753 860629). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, today to Aug 30.

**FROM VIEW TO VISION:** The Whitworth Art Gallery's contribution to the Year of the Watercolour is, properly enough, a selection from its own collection from 1750 to 1850, Sandby to late Turner.
**Whitworth Art Gallery**, University of Manchester, Oxford Road, Manchester (061-273 4865). Mon-Sat, 10am-5pm (Thurs to 9pm), until Oct 2. 🔊

## BOOKINGS

**CARMEN:** Regency Opera are to present a new production, sung in French, of Bizet's passionate opera. Carmen is performed by Carol Rowlands/Jenny Miller and Don José by Khosrow Mehsoon/Gordon Christie. Simon Gray conducts the Regency Opera Chorus and Orchestra.
**Theatre Royal**, Brighton (0273 328488). Aug 16-Aug 23. Tickets from £6. Performances nightly at 7.30pm.

**SIOUXSIE AND THE BANSHEES:** Rare opportunity to see a survivor of the late Seventies New Wave movement for one night only prior to her Reading appearance.
**The Grand**, Clapham Junction, London, SW11 (071-738 0149). Aug 25.

**HYSTERIA.** Subtitled *Fragments of an Analysis of an Obsessional Neurosis*, Terry Johnson's play previews in August. Sigmund Freud leaves Nazi-occupied Vienna to spend his last days in the peaceful suburbs of Hampstead, but any hope of retirement is dashed when a naked woman is found in his closet. Phyllida Lloyd directs.
**Royal Court Theatre**, Sloane Square, London SW1 (071-730 1745). Previews from Aug 26. Opens Sept 1.

## NEW VIDEOS

**A FEW GOOD MEN** (Columbia TriStar, 15). Tom Cruise's cocky naval lawyer defends marines accused of murder, while Demi Moore looks chic in uniform and Jack Nicholson chews scenery. Seductive courtroom drama; director, Rob Reiner. 1992.

**THE OMEGA MAN** (Tartan, PG): Charlton Heston versus the plague. Not quite Richard Matheson's source novel, *I Am Legend*, but eminently watchable in its gaudy way. Director, Boris Segal. 1971

**TWENTIETH CENTURY** (Columbia TriStar, U): Divinely funny comedy from the acid pens of Hecht and MacArthur, with John Barrymore as the egomaniac Broadway producer trying to woo Carole Lombard back to the boards. Director, Howard Hawks. 1934.



Defending marines: Tom Cruise, *A Few Good Men*

**WITTGENSTEIN** (Connoisseur, 15): Derek Jarman's jaunty portrait of linguistic philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein excites the eye, stimulates the intellect, and never outstays its welcome. With Karl Johnson, Michael Gough. 1993.

**Film and New Videos:** Geoff Brown; **Theatre:** Jeremy Kingston; **Classical Music, Opera:** Gwen Hughes; **Rock, Jazz:** Stephanie Osborne; **Dance:** Debra Craine; **Exhibitions:** John Russell Taylor; **Bookings:** Sara Yelland

## WORD WATCHING

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**REMUAGE**

**(c) In wine-making, the periodic turning or shaking of bottled wine (especially champagne) to move sediment towards the cork before disgorgement, from the French, for "moving about". "Remuage (moving around) is a term used in the process of making Champagne. Bottles placed in specially built racks are turned or shaken a little every day for about four months before they are shipped, so that the sediment may move down towards the cork."**

**SIMUL**

**(a) A display at chess in which one player plays simultaneously against a number of opponents at a number of games of chess, from the Latin *simul* at the same time; cf. *simultaneous*: "Up to quite recently simuls were considered very small beer by some players."**

**BLANDANDER**

**(b) To tempt by blandishment (into something), to cajole, colloquial, cf. the Irish *blanndar* dissimulation, flattery; hence *blandandering*: Bernard Shaw in *The Saturday Review*, 1896: "Boucicault was a coaxing, blandandhering sort of liar."**

**LILIPI**

**(c) Chiefly New Zealand, historical, also *lilipu*, *lillipee*, etc., origin unknown: "The Maoris were very fond of wheat and sugar boiled together, to which they gave the name of *lilipi*."**

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Despite itself, the London borough of Brent is getting its artistic act together. **Simon Tait** reports

CHRIS HARRIS



Frank Quigg, Brent's director of arts and libraries and (in front) Finbar Whooley, curator of the Grange Museum: "We're trying to find ways of getting off this roundabout"

# Multi-cultural, in a roundabout way

On the face of it, the north London borough of Brent is undeniably loony. First it was loony left: *Private Eye*'s "London Borough of Bent". For the past two years it has been just as loony right. This is where the head of parks is an Ashanti king who takes leave twice a year to return to Ghana and exercise the power of life and death over his subjects.

It is also where control of the council switched when a Labour member defected and demanded that her ward be renamed Harlesden-upon-Paradise. She was removed from the council chamber by police by order of the new Tory leader after she demanded the legalisation of female circumcision.

But Brent, a culturally fractured area where 225,000 people speak 98 different languages, is also where a sculptor was put in charge of arts and libraries, and where a potter was made head of visual arts, examples of potential looniness backfiring rather well. And it is also where the borough museum, which reopened yesterday, is stranded in the middle of one of London's busiest roundabouts and rejoices in the extra pottiness associated with being in Neasden.

Frank Quigg was the Manchester-born sculptor who found himself in London working on the GLC's abortive national jazz centre scheme. He joined Brent Council in 1986 as an arts and entertainment manager, and three years ago, by then deputy director of cultural services, decided that if the international mix of Brent was to have any cultural cohesion at all, only the arts could provide it. He became director of arts and libraries last September.

The first move in the great arts campaign was to put a new building on Willesden Green, which opened in 1988 next to the main library, and make a mini Institute of Contemporary Arts where avant-garde performances would mix with exhibitions of contemporary visual art. The problem was that nobody went.

"I suppose it wasn't right for Willesden," Quigg says. "It might have brought a few people into the borough for shows, but it was no use to the people who live here. We scrapped it."

Market research found that people did not want the avant-garde. They wanted a café, a cinema, somewhere for their kids to show off their paintings, a good big library, a bookshop, a crèche. They got them in 1990, and the place now has 500 "customers" a day. "We needed interaction with local people, particularly the children, to show that art was something everyone had access to," says Quigg. "Sometimes you make yourself unpopular with councillors, but that's the gamble. I could be fired tomorrow if it goes wrong."

The uninspiring façade of Willesden Green Library Centre has large expanses of yellow brick wall inside. Visual arts officer Graham Bernard commissioned 20 artists to work in the borough's schools this year, and the results — both the artists' and the children's — are on show there.

Meanwhile, in the middle of the Neasden roundabout, Finbar Whooley, curator of the Grange Museum, has the task of uniting Brent's disparate cultures through history. The museum reopened yesterday with many traditional galleries stripped out to provide a new permanent exhibition, "Brent People", a miniature version of Glasgow's People's Palace.

Local people have donated objects which they particularly treasure. One offered to bring the wing of a 1930s aeroplane, a relic of the aircraft industry which once thrived in Brent. "It came in two pieces," says Whooley. "When I asked what had happened, the dear man said he had had to cut it in half to get it on the bus to bring it here."

Instead of being shoe-horned on to plaster dummies, the museum's costumes will be used by schoolchildren to act out scenes from the periods between the 1920s and 1980s: an old telephone exchange will hook into audio history tapes; and hundreds of old photographs of the borough are being put on CD, to be called on to a screen through a computer.

"We're trying to find ways of getting off this roundabout, too," says Whooley. "And I'm talking to Ikea [a furniture superstore] about moving a period room into their store — added interest for their customers and a way for us to get further into the community."

In November 1990 Quigg organised a street survey and found that 54 per cent of Brent residents were satisfied with the cultural provision in the borough. He repeated the survey last November and the figure was 80 per cent. "There's something exciting happening here, whatever you say about Brent."

● The Grange Museum, *Neasden Lane, London NW10 (081-908 7432) is open Mon-Fri 11am to 5pm, Sat 10-12am, 1-5pm, Sun 2-5pm*

CONCERTS

# Time to let the imagination flow

**LPO/Welser-Möst, Benjamin**
Queen Elizabeth Hall

Hilary Finch's interview with the composer on this page on Wednesday revealed that the structural fabric of George Benjamin's new orchestral piece, *Sudden Time*, is based largely on the notion of time-warping. Actually that is not quite right. What Benjamin does is distort the regular pulses which mark the passage of time; whether that really produces the illusion of time being bent is another matter, though it undoubtedly lends the score a metrical fluidity.

Having heard both Benjamin's GCSE-style explanation at the beginning of this concert, the first in the South Bank's multi-disciplinary summer festival "Meltdown" (Benjamin is this year's artistic director), and the composer conducting a fine performance of the work itself with the excellent London Philharmonic Orchestra, I think the essence of the piece lies elsewhere. Such "time-warping" is simply a technique to articulate a fertile imagination.

That imagination was triggered in the first place by the composer's experience of hearing in his sleep a short thunderclap as an extended, rolling sound. All sorts of associations of opposites come to mind: reality and illusion, clarity and blurring, light and dark.

Benjamin explores all of these in a compelling and important score unified by the occasional coming together in pulsating rhythmic unisons, by a basic, dominating iambic metre, and by simple melodic outlines that permeate his complex, fastidiously coloured and balanced textures (occasionally, practice mutes are used for strings and brass).

There are also points of tense, quiet repose, and a viola solo ends the work in clear light, free of ambiguity. This fascinating fabric of currents and counter-currents speaks of a composer whose prodigious powers remain undiminished by the considerable extra-compositional demands he has placed upon himself. Often *Sudden Time* reminds one of Birtwistle with the grit taken out, and that is a compliment.

Before this climax, Franz Welser-Möst conducted two contrasting works by Benjamin's teachers, Alexander Goehr and Olivier Messiaen. Messiaen's brief and exquisite *Un Sourire*, one of his very last works, had not until this concert been heard in London before. Particularly in its serene close, it manages to reflect the orderly gentleness of another age, though it uses the composer's familiar vocabulary in equally familiar ritualistic juxtapositions.

To begin the concert, there was Goehr's *Metamorphosis/Dance*, an LPO commission from 1974. Goehr's music is generally ordered on strongly classically-derived lines, sometimes to its detriment; but here, in a colourful, inventive and compelling score, a lightness of rhythmic tread offsets any possible charge of doggedness. Both works Welser-Möst conducted with a concentration and a generous care often missing when he tackles the romantic repertoire. He should do new music more often.

When any event is described as "beyond the cutting edge", beware a surfeit of trendiness. Here there were two irritations of that kind: a silly programme, huge and limp, with interviews instead of notes, and supposedly atmospheric lighting, totally extinguished in the auditorium for the performance so that you could read neither notes nor, more importantly, scores.

STEPHEN PETTITT

# Centenary marked with virtuoso style

In an active centenary year for the **Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra** its only Proms appearance can be counted among its successes. Under Andrew Litton, its American principal conductor, the orchestra has developed over several seasons a degree of virtuoso ensemble response that is as much a matter of refined sensibility as of technical brilliance.

This was evident in most of their programme, and not least in support of Tasmin Little as the accomplished soloist in Walton's Violin Concerto, which she had committed to memory as if it were as familiar as Brahms or Bruch. Her violin was a small voice, sometimes indistinct, but she expressed a poetic feeling for the work's romantic character as well as all the bravura double-stopping it calls for.

The conductor's shaping of the concerto's briskly syncopated rhythms and flexible rubato added to its beguiling character, after a pungently vigorous start to the programme with the *New England Triptych* by William Schuman. But those 18th-century hymn tunes — turned into marching songs even in the contemplative middle piece, "When Jesus wept" — have a craggy, more raucous edge than was evident here.

It was left to Tchaikovsky's Fourth Symphony to show how responsive this orchestra has become. I have seldom heard such a range of light and shade in the work. The depth of emotional turmoil in the outer movements contrasted with the sentiment of the *canzona* and the bold fantasy of the *pizzicato ostinato* movement, which was driven over into the finale without even a pause for breath.

Moderation in all things seemed to be the guiding principle the following night, when Peter Neumann — making his Proms debut directing the **Cologne Chamber Choir** he founded — conducted Bach's B minor Mass. A moderate number of 36 voices, with a comparable number of 30 players of the **Collegium Cartusianum** on period instruments, the ensemble favoured a Lutheran sobriety even in the joyful passages.

Constrained by rhythmic discipline, the effect in the Albert Hall's spacious ambience tended to sound flat, two-dimensional, lacking focus and perspective, and it may well be that those hearing the broadcast on Radio 3 had the advantage in this respect. Notes were always neatly in place, but seldom communicated a musical cogency from one episode to the next.

Surely the chorus at "Et incarnatus est" needs to sound different from the following "Crucifixus", instead of the all-purpose vocal blandness it acquired here. The instrumental playing would likewise have benefited from more incisive character.

No counter-tenor among the vocal soloists, but a pair of bright-voiced sopranos in Christine Schäfer and Ursula Eitinger, a velvet-toned alto from Annette Markert, Christoph Prégardien a sturdy tenor and Gotthold Schwarz a flexible bass.

NOEL GOODWIN

# Brown's old shade of blues

A veteran of the Hollywood club circuit is back in the limelight



Air to spare: Charles Brown has influenced a host of rhythm and blues musicians

As far as the music business was concerned, Charles Brown was a non-person for years. Occasionally word might come that he was performing in obscure clubs and bars, but more often than not the talk was of how he was making a living from menial day jobs. It was as if he was living out the lyrics of one of his early hits, "Driftin' Blues".

Few people, least of all Brown himself, expected that he would be rediscovered late in life, receiving his first Grammy nomination — for the album *All My Life* — not far short of his 70th birthday. One of the most stylish rhythm and blues artists of the post-war years (Ray Charles is one of many who admit to being influenced by him), Brown makes a rare visit to this country next Monday when his band begins a six-night residency at Ronnie Scott's Club in Birmingham.

Brown recalls that his last visit to London was more than a decade ago, when he played above a pub on an Easter Sunday. Even at the peak of his popularity, in the late 1940s and early 1950s, Brown was hardly a household name.

Unlike Nat King Cole — with whom he was sometimes compared — he never crossed over to the mainstream white audience. But to devotees of rhythm and blues, Brown was renowned as a master of a slick, after-hours hybrid known as "cocktail blues", or "club blues". His themes were woven from the age-old material — crushed hopes, dark clouds and faithless women — but the delivery was mellow and restrained, the piano solos leavened with a neo-classical sophistication.

Brown's origins were not, in any case, those of the typical bluesman. Born into a middle class family in Texas in 1922, he studied classical piano and briefly worked as a chemist before winning a Los Angeles talent contest with a performance of the Warsaw Concerto.

Working with the guitarist Johnny Moore and his group, The Three Blazers, Brown played the clubs and lounges of Hollywood and Beverly Hills. After going solo, he enjoyed huge success with such songs as "Black Night". Then, in the 1960s, came a fallow period, compounded by a contractual dispute which brought him into conflict with the American musicians' union.

Slowly, Brown began to slip from view. Obliged to play non-unionised clubs, he eked out an indifferent living, and for years he made money, still in Beverly Hills, but cleaning houses for $75 a time. When he did occasionally record an album, the discs were seldom available for long.

His fortunes began to improve when he was booked into Tramps, a New York venue that specialised in older blues performers.

But even then he was reaching a tiny audience. When one of his long-time admirers, Jerry Wexler, the veteran producer, passed by, he found Brown playing to just two dozen people.

His comeback took on new momentum in 1990, when the singer Bonnie Raitt heard Brown in a club and invited him to join her on a national tour. The next step was the accomplished solo recording *All My Life* (Rounder/Bullseye NETCD-9501), which featured a guest appearance by the New Orleans pianist, Dr John. That was followed last year by *Someone To Love* (NETCD-9514), a more ruminative set which included a soaring duet with Raitt and a ballad, "I Wonder How She Knows", written for the occasion by another of Brown's fans, Elvis Costello.

The album closes with Brown accompanying himself on the organ as he sings an elegiac gospel hymn, "I Don't Want To Get Adjusted", a song that he often sang in church as a child. It is a heart-stopping moment. Brown's voice has, if anything, improved with age.

"Charles is like Ben Webster on the tenor," Dr John once declared. "They both got air to spare."

CLIVE DAVIS

# Grimes of passion below the surface

OPERA ON RECORD

There will be few opera sets this year more gripping than EMI's **Peter Grimes** (0777 7 54832 2, 2 CDs). Britten's chief architect is Bernard Haitink, who summons a nerve-tingling interpretation from his Covent Garden orchestra. Playing of this standard might make the infrequent use of the Royal Opera by record companies seem churlish. But the answer lies with Haitink himself. Only when he is in form and as fully committed as he is here, does his band show what it can really do.

Violence, human and meteorological, lies only a few inches below the everyday, God-fearing Aldeburgh surface. Few operatic storms have been more violent than that in Act I, few Sunday mornings more serene than the one which opens the next act. Anthony Rolfe Johnson is similarly understanding of the extreme contrasts in Grimes's own nature: he turns him into an almost Dostoevskian figure, half saint and half sinner, half visionary and half sadist. His performance is sturdily masculine but contains singing of great lyrical beauty.

There is corresponding depth to Felicity Lott's Ellen Orford, performed with equal grace and fervour. Around this pair are ranged some of the most imaginative among contemporary British singers, led by Thomas Allen (Balstrode). Sarah Walker (Mrs Sedley) and Simon Keenlyside (Ned Keene). The old Decca set will always command an honoured place on the shelves, but Haitink's version is the *Grimes* for our times.

Beside it, Britten's **Gloriana** sounds a bit pallid. It is not easy to stage and has its static moments, especially in Act II. Britten's decision to end the piece with spoken dialogue is also questionable.

Josephine Barstow on Argo (440 213-2, 2CDs) handles the words with considerable skill as Queen Elizabeth totters away into disappointed old age. She is also adept at showing both the imperiousness and querulousness of the monarch. Nor can there be any faulting Philip Langridge and Yvonne Kenny as the mettlesome Essex brother and sister who get on the wrong side of their Queen. Charles Mackerras and the Welsh National Opera excel in the ceremonial and formal dances of the piece. But it remains a chilly work.

Langridge and Kenny reappear in a third Britten summer release, **The Beggar's Opera** (Argo 436 850-2, 2CDs). He is a dashing Macheath, cynical to the end, as is Britten himself when everyone choruses that the wretch of today may be happy tomorrow. Some hope. Yvonne Kenny's Lucy is a bit heavy, and the feminine honours go to Ann Murray as Polly Peachum. Some of the supporting performances are less polished.

Steuart Bedford directs his band of twelve with great aplomb through the fifty and more fast-flowing and much loved songs which Britten tightened, tautened and stripped of all sentimentality. Not so much *The Beggar's Opera* as *Macheath, or The Rake's Progress*.

JOHN HIGGINS

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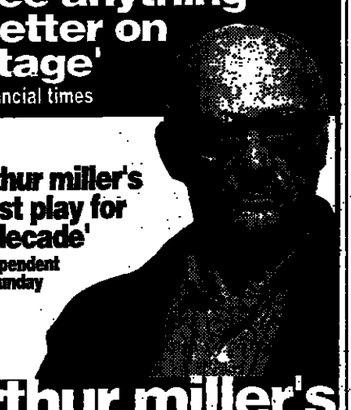
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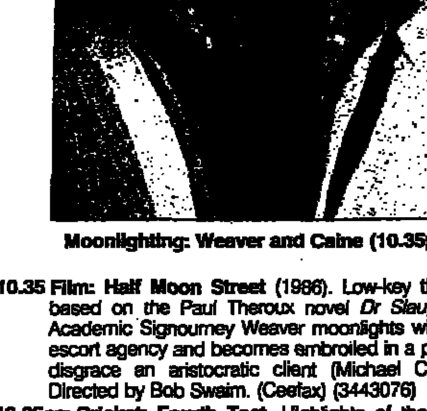
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## BBC1

**7.00 Ceefax** (6103705)
**7.25 News** and weather (6355182)
**7.30 Pinocchio.** Animated adventures of the wooden puppet that yearns to be human (r) (4464705) **7.50 The All New Popeye Show** Three cartoons (r) (4484569) **8.10 McGee and Me.** Award-winning American children's series featuring a mischievous cartoon character and his 12-year-old creator (6580705) **8.35 Potsworth & Co.** Space-set cartoon series (r) (7926989)
**9.00 Parallel 9.** Young people's entertainment (s) (88492724) **10.52 Weather** (7061434)
**10.55 Grandstand.** The line-up is (subject to alteration): **11.00** (79434), **1.35** (72778279), **2.05** (14892637), **2.40** (4974618) and **3.30** (740705) Cricket: live coverage of the third day's play in the fourth Test between England and Australia at Headingley; **1.00** News (87612182), **1.05** Canoeing: the world slalom championships from Mezzana, Italy (34702705); **1.55** (67810705), **2.30** (7296960) and **3.10** (1784076) Racing from Ascot
**5.15** *News with Chris Lowe. (Ceefax) (6776366)*
**5.25 Regional News** and sport (4567328)
**5.30 Tom and Jerry's Greatest Hits** (930237)
**5.50 The Royal Tournament** introduced by John Leslie from Earls Court, London. A visit to the annual services spectacular, this year presented by the Royal Navy who are joined for the first time by a contingent from the Russian navy. Music is from the Massed Bands of the Royal Marines and the Prince of Wales takes the salute (s) (598328)
**6.40 The Main Event.** The final of the frantic family and celebrities quiz game. The Dennis' have the assistance of Jonathon Morris, Gemma Craven and Denis Quilley; the Lees team up with young comedians Terry Alderton, Bradley Walsh and Mike Hayley. (Ceefax) (s) (622144)
**7.30 Open All Hours.** Granville thinks his luck has changed when the milkwoman makes a pass at him. How can he persuade Arkwright to spend the night out? *(r). (Ceefax) (811)*
**8.00 Birds of a Feather.** Dorien ends up in hospital but is fearful that the staff might think that Tracey and Sharon are family or friends (r). (Ceefax) (s) (3386)
**8.30 The House of Eliott.** Stylish drama about a London fashion house in the 1920s (r). (Ceefax) (s) (691601)
**9.20 News** with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (213415)
**9.40 Spender.** Gritty and original police series starring Jimmy Nail as the moody Geordie detective. He is pulled off a case when he discovers the woman he was tailing has had dinner with his superior. (Ceefax) (167415)

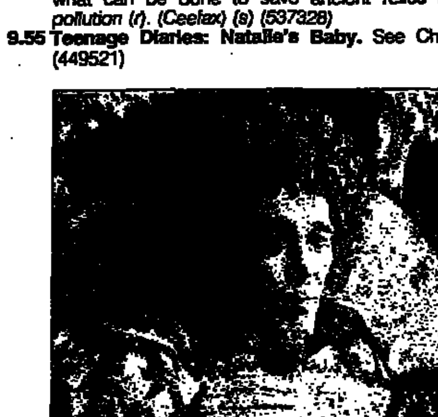


Moonlighting: Weaver and Caine (10.35pm)

**10.35 Film: Half Moon Street** (1986). Low-key thriller, based on the Paul Theroux novel *Dr Slaughter.* Academic Signourney Weaver moonlights with an escort agency and becomes embroiled in a plot to disgrace an aristocratic client (Michael Caine). Directed by Bob Swaim. (Ceefax) (3443076)
**12.05am Cricket: Fourth Test.** Highlights of the third day's play (3412583) **12.45 Weather** (1205980)

## BBC2

**6.40 Open University:** Organic Chemistry — Large-scale Production (7230144) **7.05** Maths: Modelling Turkeys (6100618) **7.30** Images: Beyond the Eye (3178540) **7.55** The Changing Face of Poverty (4465434) **8.20** Plants' Designs for Living (6577231) **8.45** Victorian Culture: Stand by Your Banner! (7913415) **9.10** Ecology: Reg Grouse (5482328) **9.35** Science: A Day in the Life (6031144) **10.00** El Escorial: Palace, Monastery and Mausoleum (4827057) **10.25** Opening Doors — Some Personal Views from Women (9425873) **10.50** The Enlightenment: The Magic Flute (5731960) **11.15** Computer Integrated Manufacture (3850057) **11.40** The Tonga People of Zimbabwe (7930601) **12.05** Testing Teachers? (4085434) **12.30** Managing Schools: Power of the Purse (3029786) **12.55** The Museum of Modern Art (5751521) **1.20** Everyman — Just an Illness (4565255) **2.10** The Clinical Psychologist (14875960) **2.35** The Management of Nuclear Waste (3983796)
**3.00 Film: Rebecca** (1940, b/w). (Ceefax) See Choice (18039908)
**5.05 Cricket: Fourth Test.** Live coverage of the closing session of the third day's play from Headingley (s) (8432415)
**6.35 A Picture of Health?.** The work of special clinics who have started to treat pain as a medical challenge in its own right (138144)
**7.05 Scrutiny.** Huw Edwards reports on the behind-the-scenes business at Westminster (925892)
**7.35 News** with Chris Lowe. (Ceefax) Sport and weather (175095)
**7.50 Rhythms of the World.** The world music strand returns for its sixth and final series. Tonight's film comprises highlights from previous programmes and features musicians from Latin America, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa and Asia (686960)
**9.05 The Face of Tutankhamun: Heads in the Sand.** In the last of the series Christopher Frayling asks what can be done to save ancient relics from pollution *(r). (Ceefax) (s) (537328)*
**9.55 Teenage Diaries: Natalie's Baby.** See Choice (449521)



The lord of the manor: Peter O'Toole (10.45pm)

**10.45 Film: Rebecca's Daughters** (1992). (Ceefax) See Choice (51741163)
**12.20am Film: Diary of a Chambermaid** (1964, b/w) starring Jeanne Moreau. Luis Buñuel's muted version of the Octave Mirbeau story of a chambermaid who is engaged by a bourgeois country family (990187)
**1.55 On the Air.** The first of an off-the-wall comedy series from the team responsible for *Twin Peaks* (s) (2732106). Ends at **2.25**

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## CHOICE



Young mum: Natalie and baby son (BBC2, 9.55pm)

**Teenage Diaries: Natalie's Baby**
*BBC2, 9.55pm*

The story of Natalie, told by herself with *unembarrassed candour, is topically poised to fuel the* debate about the culture of single motherhood. Although only 14 Natalie is determined to sleep with her boyfriend. Refused the pill by a doctor who says she is under the legal age, she gets pregnant and produces a baby son. Boyfriend Keith stays with her *but he is hardly the model father, out most of the night* with the lads and in bed much of the day. With nowhere to live Natalie shuttles herself, the baby and Keith between her mum and her sister. Neither can stand Keith's dog, which urinates on their carpets, but he refuses to give it up. When social services try to sort *things out they are branded as the enemy.*

**Rebecca's Daughters**
*BBC2, 10.45pm*

A reworked script by Dylan Thomas is the basis for this rollicking costume drama set in rural Wales in the *1840s. As with most unlikely tales, it is based on fact.* Peter O'Toole hams it up as a drunken aristocrat who is imposing outrageous road tolls on the local peasants. At this point a handsome young heir (Paul Rhys) returns from India and decides to side with the victims. Inspired by the Biblical story of Rebecca he disguises himself with a black face and women's clothes and recruits a band of "daughters" to take up the fight. At the same time he pursues O'Toole's pretty niece (Joely Richardson). Directed by Karl Francis, *Rebecca's Daughters* offers predictable and uncomplicated pleasure at slightly excessive length.

**Rebecca**
*BBC2, 3.00pm*

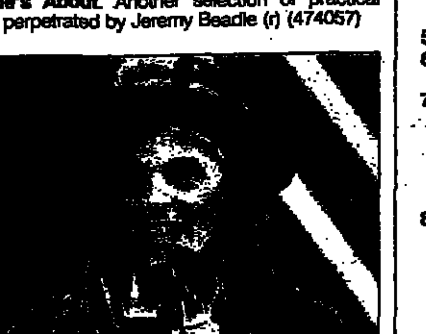
The day's other Rebecca is the unseen presence of the Daphne du Maurier story about a new bride having to live in the shadow of her husband's first wife. It was Alfred Hitchcock's first Hollywood film, though the subject could hardly have been more English. An abrupt change from the cheeky, fast-moving thrillers which made Hitchcock's name, *Rebecca* is a highly-polished product which depends less on suspense than atmosphere and mood. Joan Fontaine plays the mousy second wife of Maxim de Winter (Laurence Olivier), with Judith Anderson as Mrs Danvers, the sinister housekeeper. *Rebecca* was the only Hitchcock film to win an Oscar, though the award went not to the director but the producer David O. Selznick.

**Without Walls: Heil Herbie**
*Channel 4, 8.30pm*

A repeated film about the Volkswagen Beetle reminds us that the icon of the flower power generation and the star of the *Herbie* films had less innocent origins. It was the brainchild of Adolf Hitler, who wanted a cheap and reliable symbol of Nazism. The Beetle did not go into mass production until after the Führer's demise and after a postwar delegation from the British motor industry had decided that it had no future. The car proved them wrong and eventually overtook the Ford Model T to be become the most-produced vehicle in motoring history. Joanna Mack's lively essay does the subject full justice. **Peter Waymark**

## ITV LONDON

**6.00 GMTV** (5723873)
**9.25 Gimme 5.** Young people's entertainment presented by Jenny Powell and Lewis MacLeod (10546502)
**11.30 The ITV Chart Show.** The *Video Vault* features *Texas with their 1989 hit "I Don't Want a Lover"* (s) (91415)
**12.30 Opening Shot.** The arts programme for the young looks at a day in the life of five students attending the Beijing Opera School. (Also on Channel 4 at 6.30pm) (55569)
**1.00 News** with *Dermot Murnaghan.* Weather (87807250) **1.05 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (87608521)
**1.10 Movies, Games and Videos.** Reviews of the latest films, videos and computer games. Includes a report from the Consumer Electronics Show in Chicago, the biggest video games fair in America (34796144)
**1.40 The Big Valley.** Western series from the 1960s starring Barbara Stanwyck, Linda Evans and Lee Majors (r) (4583724)
**2.40 The A-Team: The Crystal Skull.** The irregular quartet are on a Polynesian island where the natives treat Murdock as their king (r) (6979502)
**3.40 WCW Worldwide Wrestling** (4751095)
**4.20 Cartoon Time** (3868618)
**4.45 News** with Dermot Murnaghan. Weather (4476618) **5.00 London Today** and weather (6773279)
**5.10 Disney Cartoon Time** (6753415)
**5.25 What You Lookin' At?** Comedy series set in a London youth club (s) (5471989)
**5.55 Beadle's About.** Another selection of practical jokes perpetrated by Jeremy Beadle (r) (474057)

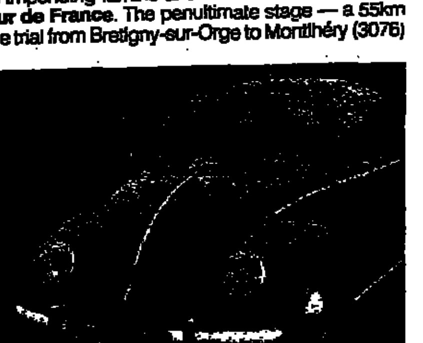


Starstruck: Boy George look-alike (6.25pm)

**6.25 Stars in Their Eyes.** The final of the look-alike talent competition with nine hopefuls hoping to emulate his or her hero or heroine. Presented by Matthew Kelly. (Teletext) (s) (1833347)
**7.30 The Upper Hand.** Comedy starring Joe McGann as a male housekeeper working for businesswoman Diana Weston *(r) (279)*
**8.00 The Bill: Mighty Atoms.** A juvenile delinquent holds the key to the whereabouts of a missing teenager. (Teletext) (5434)
**8.30 London's Burning.** Crisply-made drama series about the Blue Watch of a London fire station (r). (Teletext) (74873)
**9.30 News** with Dermot Murnaghan. Weather (583811)
**9.50 Taggart — Nest of Vipers.** The discovery of two skulls on a construction site leads the dour Glasgow detective to make a connection with the theft of poisonous snakes from a Glasgow research laboratory. Mark McManus stars in this repeated feature-length episode. (Teletext) (38235521)
**12.20am McCloud.** American police drama series starring Dennis Weaver (r) (275467)
**2.10 The Big E.** For young Europeans (s) (1981922)
**3.05 It's Bizarre!** Music and chat show hosted by Linda Lusardi and Richard Brecker. The guests include *1970s pop star Mungo Jerry (8529212)*
**4.00 The New Music.** David Byrne, Peter Gabriel and kd lang are interviewed (11458)
**5.00 BPM.** News, sounds and fashions from the dance music world (s) (34535)
**5.30 ITN Morning News** with Phil Roman (12106). Ends *at* ***6.00***

## CHANNEL 4

**6.00 The Wonderful Wizard of Oz** (r) (s) (6558705) **6.25 Ovide** (2605076) **6.40 Bobobobs** (r) (7258540) **7.05 The Legend of White Fang.** Animation (r) (6074453) **7.35 Little Dracula** (3179279)
**8.00 Betty's Bunch.** *The last episode* of the New Zealand family drama *(r)* (1630724)
**8.25 Sportraits.** Profiles of basketball star Peter Rose and golfing ace Nick Faldo (4950502)
**9.00 News** summary (1161724) **9.15 Channel 4 Racing: The Morning Line** (8262434)
**10.00 Trans World Sport** (33908)
**11.00 Gaelic Games 1993.** Highlights from two football finals — the Ulster, in which Donegal defend their title against Derry, and the Munster Doubles in which Tipperary take on Cork (13144)
**12.00 Sumo.** Japanese wrestling series (r) (30219)
**12.30 Kasak.** Episode 13 of the 20-part Pakistani drama. In Urdu with English subtitles (46811)
**1.00 Film: Sunday Dinner For a Soldier** (1944, b/w) starring Anne Baxter and John Hodiak. Warm-hearted comedy drama about a poor Florida houseboat family trying to scrape up enough money to provide a meal for a GI. Directed by Lloyd Bacon (15222163)
**2.35 Film: Nob Hill** (1945) starring George Raft, Vivian Blane and Joan Bennett. Period musical about a San Francisco bar owner who develops ideas above his station after meeting a socialite. Directed by Henry Hathaway (45681231)
**4.15 Bali — A Pattern of Life.** A documentary look at how tourism has changed the way of life of the Balinese islander (4687908)
**5.05 Brookside Omnibus** (r). (Teletext) (s) (5441231)
**6.30 Opening Shot.** A day in the life of five students attending the Beijing Opera School (s) (637)
**7.00 The World This Week.** Includes a report from Kosovo, the Albanian region of Serbia; news of the debate in Germany about sending troops to Somalia; a look at the Colombian government's efforts to capture drugs king Pablo Escobar; and the impending famine and civil war in Zaire (2057)
**8.00 Tour de France.** The penultimate stage — a 55km time trial from Bretigny-sur-Orge to Montlhéry (3076)



A symbol of Nazism: Hitler's Beetle (8.30pm)

**8.30 Without Walls: Heil Herbie** (r). (Teletext) See Choice (5811)
**9.00 Traffik.** Episode five of the six-part drugs drama, starring Bill Paterson and Lindsay Duncan (r) (5716618)
**10.05 The Big One.** A repeat of the sitcom starring Mike McShane and Sandi Toksvig (s) (747182)
**10.35 Film: Delicatessen** (1991) starring Jean-Claude Dreyfus and Dominique Pinon. The latest *Cinema Cinema!* offering is a bizarre black comedy set in the future in which a butcher and landlord cuts up his tenants and sells the flesh as meat to his hungry customers. Directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet and Marc Caro. In French with English subtitles (s) *(28623231)*
**12.30am Evening Shade.** American comedy series starring Burt Reynolds (r) (s) (98038)
**1.00 How Wonderful.** Australian comedy about a journalist and first-time expectant mother striving for the "perfect pregnancy". Starring Tracy Mann (r) *(32670). Ends at* ***2.00***

## SATELLITE

### SKY ONE

**6.00am** Car 54, Where Are You? (41502) **6.30** Rin Tin Tin (43811) **7.00** Fun Factory (8269960) **12.00** WWF Mania (98298) **1.00pm** Rich Man, Poor Man (74818) **2.00** Bewitched (2502) **2.30** The Facts of Life (1502) **3.00** Cartoons (89076) **4.00** Dukes of Hazzard (91811) **5.00** WWF Superstars (2989) **6.00** Beverly Hills, 90210 (87182) **7.00** The Flash (24637) **8.00** Unsolved Mysteries (58647) **9.00** Cops I (97095) **9.30** Cops II (99927) **10.00** WWF Superstars (23908) **11.00-12.00** Entertainment Tonight (81569)

### SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
**6.00am** Sunrise (49144) **6.30** News and Business Report (165144) **9.30** Talkback (73989) **10.30** Week in Review (35231) **11.30** Holiday Destinations (55637) **12.30pm** Fashion TV (13873) **1.30** The Reporters (14502) **2.30** Week in Review (60328) **3.30** Those Were The Days (40415) **4.30** Holiday Destinations (9908) **5.00** Live at Five (69569) **6.30** Fashion TV (78347) **7.30** The Reporters (4827) **9.30** Week in Review (56366) **10.30** The Reporters (67250) **11.30** Fashion TV (20231) **12.30am** *Financial Times* West of Moscow (58632) **1.30** Travel Destinations (27545) **2.30** Week in Review (57635) **3.30** Target (52380) **4.30** West of Moscow (70125) *5.30-6.00 The Reporters (43090)*

### SKY MOVIES PLUS

**6.00am Showcase** (94892)
**8.00 The Greatest** (1977): The boxer Muhammad Ali plays himself (26144)
**10.00 The Witching of Ben Wagner** (1990): Children's drama (80279)
**12.00 The Southern Star** (1969): Adventurers search for a large diamond (49095)
**2.00pm Wuthering Heights** (1970): Brontë classic with Timothy Dalton (33360)
**4.00 Sweet 15** (1991): A Mexican girl in America is an illegal immigrant (3331)
**6.00 Babe Ruth** (1991): Stephen Lang stars as the Yankees baseball player (27724)
**8.00 Ernest Scared Stupid** (1991): Comedy with Jim Varney and Eartha Kitt (39589)
**10.00 Tales from the Darkside: The Movie** (1990): Three horror stories (435144)
**11.35 Alexa** (1988): A prostitute, Christine Moore, wants to change her career (908521)
**1.00am Silver Bullet** (1985): Corey Haim *and Gary Busey pursue a werewolf (721545)*
**2.35 Devil's Odds** (1987): Beau Bridges discovers a private army (489859)
**4.10 A Row of Crows** (1991): Sheriff John Beck conflicts with Steven Bauer while trying to solve a murder (831670). Ends at **6.00**

### SKY MOVIES GOLD

**4.00pm High Noon** (1952, b/w): Classic western with Gary Cooper (4521)
**6.00 Harvey** (1950, b/w): James Stewart has a six-foot white rabbit in tow (21827521)
**7.45 It's a Wonderful Life** (1946, b/w): A guardian angel shows James Stewart what life would be like without him (39638927)
***10.00 Missing in Action 2 — The Beginning*** (1985) Chuck Norris escapes from Vietnam (628892). Ends at **11.35**

### THE MOVIE CHANNEL

**6.00am To the Ends of the Earth** (1947, b/w): Dick Powell tracks a narcotics gang around the world (92434)
**8.00 The Captive City** (1952, b/w): John Forsythe exposes Mafia corruption (24786)
**10.00 No Sex Please, We're British** (1973): Farce with Ronnie Corbett (71521)
**12.00 The Bed-Sitting Room** (1969). Surreal comedy about the survivors of a nuclear holocaust (47637)
***2.00pm Criminal Behaviour*** *(1992): Lawyer Farrah Fawcett helps a client accused of being a fence for stolen goods (55582)*
**4.00 The Mysterious Murder of Thelma Todd** (1991): Robert Daw questions a suicide verdict. With Loni Anderson (8163)
**6.00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles 2** (1991): Adventure sequel (25366)
***8.00 For the Boys*** *(1991): Bette Midler and James Caan entertain the troops (84680279)*
**10.25 Light Sleeper** (1991). Willem Dafoe is haunted by his past (559183)
**12.15am Flight of the Intruder** (1991): Maverick pilots Brad Johnson and Willem Dafoe plot to bomb Hanoi (916903)
**2.15 Britannia Hospital** (1982): Black comedy with Malcolm McDowell (936767)
**4.15 Little Darlings** (1980): Tatum O'Neal and Kristy McNichol compete to lose their virginity (140038) Ends at **5.50**

### SKY SPORTS

**5.25am** Rugby Union (as 10am) (22256989) **7.30** *Motor World (24298)* **8.00** European League Round-Up (96637) **9.00** Windsurfing (38927) **9.30** Sports Special (65589) **10.00** Rugby Union: New South Wales v South Africa (45705) **12.00** Jack High Bowls (48892) **1.00pm** Sports Saturday (6510786) **5.00** Rugby League (as 10am) (95189) **7.00** Uefa U-18 Football (59347) **8.00** Golf: British Seniors (55231) **9.30** Golf: US Women's (42328) **11.00** Women's Volleyball (52347) **12.30am** Rugby Union (as 10am) (47125) **2.30-3.30** Watersports (84903)

### EUROSPORT

**7.30am** Step Aerobics (19366) **8.00** Motorsport Report (81705) **9.00** Tour de France (18298) **10.00** Tennis: Federation Cup (77750) **11.00** Golf: Dutch Open (95786) **12.00** German Grand Prix (33950) *1.00pm Tennis: Mercedes Cup (80368)* **3.00** Tour de France (85182) **4.30** Golf: Dutch Open (52144) **6.00** ATP Tennis (52434) **8.00** Tennis: Mercedes Cup (53163) **9.00** German Grand Prix (73927) **10.00** Tour de France (43786) **11.00-1.00am** Tennis: Federation Cup (81368)

### UK GOLD

**7.00am** Michael Bentine's Potty Time (8062927) **7.30** Rude Dog and the Dweebs (8061434) **8.00** Lassie (2993637) **8.30** Dog House (2892908) **9.00** Jem (2976960) **9.30** The Raccoons (9756618) **10.00** Defenders of the Earth (6619750) **10.30** Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers (2972144) **11.00** Film: Flying Tigers (1942, b/w) starring John Wayne (98923182) **12.40pm** Film: Dakota Incident (1956) starring Linda Darnell (44323322) **2.15** Bless This House (9382786) **2.45** EastEnders Omnibus (42030366) **5.30** The Secret Garden (5934347) **6.00** The Little and Large Show (5924960) **6.30** Just for Laughs (5948540) **7.00** Bless This House (2069989) **7.30** In Sickness and in Health (5944724) **8.00** Bergerac (6536273) **9.00** The Perry Mason Mystery (19727328) **10.45** Film: Shannon's Deal (1989) with Jamey Sheridan, Elizabeth Pena (60527908) **12.25am** Naked Video *(4721458) 12.55 Three of a Kind (6545496)* **1.25-2.30** In Concert: Squeeze (99677496)

### THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

**6.00am** The Best of Jack in the Box (19453) **7.00** The Diplodos (86637) **7.30** Widget (65144) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (55618) **8.30** Ratkan II (376298) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (58144) **12.00** Dinoriders (53705) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (81417) **1.00** Fifteen. Omnibus (97182) **2.00** Just Us (4144) **2.30** Flash Gordon (3328) **3.00** You Can't Do That on Television (3279) **3.30** All Change (6873) **4.00** The Electric String Vest (71095) **5.00** The Bartons (8724) **5.30** 3-2-1 Contact *(7144) 6.00-7.00 Fame (84618)*

## VARIATIONS

### ANGLIA

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games And Videos (55569) **1.10** Warner Cartoon (87694786) **1.20** Wrestling (2872415) **2.05** The A-Team (2174322) **3.00-4.45** Film: The Valley Of Gwangi (17637142) **5.00-5.10** Anglia News (6773279) **12.25am** *Film: Django Against Sartana (375729)* **2.05** Hollywood Report (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (4097354) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (32941)

### CENTRAL

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games And Videos (55569) **1.10** C.O.P.S. (34708521) **1.35** IndyCar 93 (67829453) **1.40** Film: Panic In Echo Park (7915540) **2.35** The Munsters Today (3888142) **3.00** The A-Team (1370076) **4.00-4.45** Wrestling (3200502) **5.00** Central News (6773279) **5.10-5.25** Disney Cartoons (6753415) **12.20am** Film: The Challenge (868941) **2.20** It's Bizarre! (1532423) **3.15** Cinema, Cinema (81854) **3.45** America's Top 10 (80125) **4.15-5.20** Jobfinder (5333598)

### GRANADA

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games And Videos (55569) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34796144) **1.40** Film: Panic In Echo Park (2675347) *3.00 The A-Team (1370076)* **3.55-4.45** Wrestling (2089144) **5.00** Granada News (4573989) **5.05-5.25** Disney Cartoon Time (5602521) **12.25am** Film: Django Against Sartana (375729) **2.05** Hollywood Report (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (4097354) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (32941)

### HTV WEST

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games and Videos (55569) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34796144) *1.40 The Mountain Bike Show* (24501415) **2.10** Film: McCloud: A Cowboy In Paradise (396637) **3.50-4.45** Baywatch (1287908) **5.00-5.10** HTV News & Weather (6773279) **12.25am** Film: Django Against Sartana (375729) **2.05** Hollywood Report (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (4097354) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (32941)

### HTV WALES

**As HTV WEST except: 5.00-5.10** HTV Wales News & Weather (6773279)

### MERIDIAN

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** The Munsters Today (55569) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34798144) **1.40** Film: Panic In Echo Park (24501415) **1.40** The Mountain Bike Show (24501415) **2.10** Film: Too Many Suspects (173360) **4.00-4.45** Wrestling (9200502) **5.00-5.10** Meridian News & Weather (6773279) **12.20am** One To One (6128011) *12.50 The Big E (2882019) 1.45 Film: Maid* in America (836941) **3.30** Cue The Music (82922) **4.30-5.30** BPM (32941)

### TYNE TEES

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games and Videos (55569) **1.10** The A-Team (9392601) **2.05** Film: The Greatest American Hero (338724) **3.45-4.45** Film: McCloud — A Cowboy In Paradise (781063) **5.00** Tyne Tees Saturday (5629298) **5.15-5.25** Disney Cartoon Time (6761434) *12.20am Film: Calamity Jane (390038)* **2.05** Coach (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (9433057) **4.35-5.30** Cue The Music (8009922)

### ULSTER

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Sus (55569) **1.10** IndyCar 93 (34798144) **1.40** Movies, Games and Videos (24501415) **2.10** Film: Big Bob Johnson And His Fantastic Speed Circus (326989) **3.55-4.45** Wrestling (2069144) **5.00-5.10** UTV Live (6773279) **12.25am** Film: Django Against Sartana (375729) **2.05** Hollywood Report (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (4097354) **4.30-5.30** *The Big E*

### WESTCOUNTRY

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games and Videos (55569) **1.10** Film: The Undefeated (34475611) **3.15** IndyCar 93 (619732) **4.15-4.45** The Mountain Bike Show (475415) **5.00-5.10** Westcountry Weekend *Latest (6773279)* **12.25am** Film: Django Against Sartana (375729) **2.05** Hollywood Report (6787941) **2.35** BPM (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (4097354) **4.30-5.30** The Big E (32941)

### YORKSHIRE

**As London except: 12.30pm-1.00** Movies, Games and Videos (55569) **1.10** The A-Team (9392601) **2.05** Film: The Greatest American Hero (338724) **3.45-4.45** Film: McCloud — A Cowboy In Paradise (781063) **5.00** Calendar News (5629298) **5.15-5.25** Disney Cartoon Time (6761434) **12.20am** Film: Calamity Jane (390038) **2.05** Coach (6787941) **2.35** B.P.M. (4473545) **3.35** The Little Picture Show (9433057) **4.35-5.30** Cue The Music (8009922)

### S4C

**Starts: 7.05am** The Legend of White Fang (6074453) **7.35** Little Dracula (3179279) **8.00** Betty's Bunch (1630724) **8.25** Sportraits (4950502) **9.00** News Summary (1161724) **9.15** Racing: The Morning Line (8262434) **10.00** Slot Sadwrn (22231) **12.00pm** Trans World Sport (32618) **1.00** Gaelic Games (41368) **2.00** *Film: Son Of Godzilla (769705)* **3.35** Film: Personal Property (2236569) **5.05** Brookside (5441231) **6.30** Hypnosis (637) **7.00** Newyddion (824724) **7.15** Gemau Heb Ffiniau (2192724) **8.30** Cefn Gwlad (396499) **9.20** Tour De France (343095) **9.50** Emo Philips: Comedian and Mammal (437685) **10.35** Film: Delicatessen (22596569) *12.25am Just For Laughs (9378534)*

## RADIO 3

**6.35am Open University:** Culture and Belief — Women and Music **6.55** Weather
**7.00 Saturday Morning Concert:** Weber (Overture, Oberon: BBC Philharmonic); Mozart (Piano Concerto No 15 in B flat, K450: Christian Blackshaw; *BBC Philharmonic*); Mahler (Lieder eines Fahrenden Gesellen: Ameral Gunson, mezzo; BBC Scottish SO); Stravinsky (Suite, The Firebird — 1919 version: BBC Philharmonic); Dvořák (Slavonic Dance *in C minor,* Op 46 No 7: BBC Philharmonic); Tchaikovsky (Symphony No 2 in C minor, Little Russian: BBC Philharmonic)
**9.00 News**
**9.05 Prom News:** Charles Hazlewood looks forward to next week's Promenade concerts with pianist Garrick Ohlsson, cellist Mischa Maisky and ondes martenot player Cynthia Millar. And, how the Albert Hall is wired for sound
**9.20 Record Release:** Tartini (Violin Concerto in D minor: Thomas Füri; Camerata Berne); C.P.E. Bach (Organ Sonata in B flat, Wq 70 No 2: Nicholas Danby); Haydn (Symphony No 95 in C minor: Chicago SO *under* Fritz Reiner); Beethoven (Piano Sonata in A, Op 101: John O'Conor); Donizetti (L'Elisir d'Amore, Act I, sc 2: Tallis Chamber Choir; English Chamber Orchestra under *Marcello Viotti*); Brahms (String Sextet in B flat, Op 18: Academy of St Martin Chamber Ensemble)
**12.00 Spirit of the Age:** Period Portrait. The oboe player Paul Goodwin talks about his career and introduces a selection of music (r) **1.00pm News**
**1.05 The Incomparable Signor Corelli:** Ensemble 415 performs a selection of Corelli's sonatas and the complete *Concerti da chiesa.* Third of five programmes
**1.35 Test Match Special:** England v Australia. The third afternoon's play in the fourth Test at Headingley. Commentary by Brian Johnston, Christopher Martin-Jenkins and Neville Oliver. During the tea interval at **3.45-4.00** Your Letters Answered
**6.10 Evening Sequence:** A selection of music on disc
**7.15 Prom News** (r)
**7.30 Proms:** Live from the Albert Hall, London. London Symphony Orchestra under Michael Tilson Thomas performs Bernstein (Suite, A Quiet Place); Shostakovich (Cello Concerto No 1: Mischa Maisky). **8.25** Michael Oliver leads a discussion on Stravinsky's The Rite of Spring. *8.45 Stravinsky (The Rite of Spring)*
**9.30 Studio Three: Headcrash.** Toyah Wilcox and Jeremy Flynn make their radio drama debuts as Yuka and Boy in the late Michael Wall's science-fiction drama, recorded in 1986. While driving with Yuka, picking things up from lost cities and knocking no-hopers off the road, Boy starts using new words. It is time for the Controller (Frances Jeater) to arrange a handshake with Boy's mother
**10.30 Jazz at the Bath Festival:** Miles Kington introduces compositions by the harp player Savourna Stevenson; and gospel music from Clarence Fountain and the *Five Blind Boys of Alabama*
**12.30-12.35am News**

## RADIO 4

**5.55am** Shipping **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather. **6.10** The Farming Week **6.50** Prayer for the Day **6.55** Weather **7.00** Today, incl **7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **7.20** Listeners' Letters **7.25, 8.25** Sports News **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.40** Yesterday in Parliament **8.58** Weather
**9.00 News 9.05 Sport on 4,** with Cliff Morgan
**9.30 Breakaway,** with Eddie Mair. John Noakes visits Majorca
**10.00 News; The Masterson Inheritance:** *An improvised historical saga with Josie Lawrence and Paul Merton (r)*
**10.30 In Excess:** Homo Freneticus. See Choice
**11.00 News; The Week in Westminster,** with Michael White
**11.30 Europhile,** presented by Gordon Clough
**12.00 Money Box,** with Lesley Curwen
**12.25pm They Think It's All Over:** Desmond Lynham referees the sports quiz. Team captains Rory Bremner and Rory McGrath are joined by Lucinda Green and Adrian Moorhouse **12.55** Weather
**1.00 News 1.10 Any Questions?** Baroness Blatch, education minister; Paul Boateng, MP, *who shadows the Lord* Chancellor's department; Germaine Greer, author and lecturer; and Lord Rees-Mogg, columnist, tackle the issues raised in Chesterfield, Derbyshire. Chairman Nick Clarke (r) **1.55** Shipping
**2.00 News: Any Answers?** 071-580 4444 from 12.30pm
**2.30 Playhouse: Of Mice and Men,** by John Steinbeck. Two itinerant workers in California struggle to sustain their dream. Starring Peter Whitman and Kerry Shale (r)
**4.00 News; Age to Age:** Christopher Cook examines Irish politics 70 years ago
**4.30 Science Now:** Alun Lewis discusses the possibility of reproduction in computing
**5.00 Costing the Earth:** John Gummer and Chris Smith, the *secretary and shadow* secretary for the environment, discuss Britain's future. Presented by Roger Harrabin
**5.25 Bright Sparks:** Daniel Alexander. See Choice **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
**6.00 News** and **Sport**
**6.25 A Look Back at the Nineties:** 1997. A satirical review (r)
**6.50 The Locker Room:** Tom Robinson presents the third in the series for and about men
**7.20 Kaleidoscope:** Impresario Michael Codron talks about his career and the contemporary theatre scene
**7.50 Saturday Night Theatre: Deep Purple.** Written and dramatised by Ted Allbeury. Eddie (Michael Melia), an intelligence officer, has a lot on his mind: a Russian defector, who insists that there is a traitor in MI6; and a rocky marriage to Jacqui (Louise Germaine), a former prostitute
**9.20 Music in Mind** with Brian Kay
**9.50 Ten to Ten 9.59** Weather
**10.00 News**
**10.15 Open Mind,** presented by Sarah Baxter and Henry Porter
**10.45 Selling Your Soul?** Sting and Roger Daltrey talk about "the godfather of rock 'n' roll PR", Keith Altham
**11.00 The Tingle Factor:** Sir Edward Heath talks about his favourite music (r)
**11.30 The Young Postmen:** A comedy by Ben Miller (r)
**12.00-12.43am News,** incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

## CHOICE

**In Excess: Homo Freneticus.** *Radio 4, 10.30am.*
Armando Ianucci's forays into the world of extremes begin with some classic examples of people for whom the 24-hour day was not designed; even 48 would not be enough. They include *Sunday Times* editor Andrew Neil and broadcaster Esther Rantzen, both intercepted on the wing by Ianucci, and a bee-busy middle-management executive who takes his exercise bike to the office. *In Excess* offers the frantic some analogously therapeutic advice. In essence, it is: think of your average day as a frying pan or a heated swimming pool.

**Bright Sparks: Daniel Alexander.** *Radio 4, 5.25pm.*
Alexander, a half-Ghanaian barrister on his father's side, comes to Anne Kelleher's interview series bearing a stamp of approval. Several leading QCs recommended him as a promising subject. As it turns out, their faith in him is not misplaced; we can see why he has an enviable track record in the courts. His forte is the protection of creative people in all branches of British industry. "Industry?", echoes Kelleher. "I didn't think there was any, any more." It is a poor joke and it is not dignified with a reply. **Peter Davalle**

## RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. **4.00am** Neale James (FM only until **6.00am**) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Adrian Juste **2.00** Mick Jagger 50, Not Out **3.00** Johnnie Walker **5.30** The Saturday Rock Show **7.30** In Concert: Bruce Hornsby at the Jazz Cafe **8.30** Intimate Contact with Julian Clary **9.00** Andy Kershaw *11.00 John Peel (FM only from 12.00)* **2.00-4.00am** Lynn Parsons (FM only)

## RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Colin Berry **6.00** Barbara Sturgeon **8.05** Brian Matthew with Sounds of the Sixties **10.00** Chris Stuart **12.00** Hayes on Saturday **1.30pm** Jimmy's Cricket Team (r) **2.00** Summer Afternoon with John Sachs **4.00** Andrew Lloyd Webber: In Production (r) **5.00** Cinema 2 **5.30** Nick Barraclough with New Country **6.00** Steve Race **7.00** David Mellor **7.30** Hit Groups from the Sixties: A concert recorded at Sheffield Arena **8.30** Roger Whittaker in Concert **9.30** David Jacobs **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme **12.05-4.00am** John Terrett with Night Ride

## RADIO 5

**6.00am** World Service: Newshour **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** Get Set. **10.30** The Adventures of Superman (r) **11.00** Test Match Special. England v Australia. Third morning's play of the fourth Test. Including at **1.05pm** A View from the Boundary: Brian Johnston talks to Paul Getty **1.30** Sport on Five: including racing from Ascot **2.00** Colenso Diamond Conditions Stakes; **2.35** Princess Margaret Stakes **6.30** The Late Six-O-Six **7.30** Afropop Worldwide Gilberto Gil **8.30** Le Top **9.30** Nightbeat **10.00** Sport **10.15** The Way Out **12.00-12.10am** News: Sport

## WORLD SERVICE

All times in BST. **4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin; Tips für Touristen **5.30** Jazz Now and Then **5.45** Worldbrief **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** The World Today **7.30** Meridian **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** People and Politics **9.00** News *9.10 Words of Faith 9.15 A Jolly Good Show 10.00* News **10.05** World Business Report **10.15** Worldbrief **10.30** Personal View **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Jazz Now and Then **11.15** Letter from America **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Meridian **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Multitrack 3 **1.45** Sports Roundup **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.01** Sportsworld **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** Sportsworld **6.00** BBC English **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** Proms '93 **8.24** News **8.25** From Our Own Correspondent **8.45** From the Weeklies **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Personal View **9.30** Meridian **10.00** Newshour **11.00** World News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** Jazz for the Asking **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** World News **12.05am** Words of Faith **12.10** Book Choice **12.15** A Jolly Good Show **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** The Ken Bruce Show **2.00** News **2.01** Play of the Week. The Master and Margarita **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** The Odd Couple **4.00** World News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sports Roundup

## CLASSIC FM

**6.00am** Sarah Lucas **9.00** Classic Countdown **12.00** Petroc Trelawny **3.00pm** Nicky Horne **6.00** Classic America **7.00** Opera Gala: Live from the Sudeley Summer Festival **10.00** Six of the Best **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

## VIRGIN 1215

**6.00am** Graham Dene **10.00** The Big Red Mug Show with Chris Evans **1.00pm** Paul Coyte **4.00** Dave Fanning **8.00** Wendy Lloyd **11.00** Tommy Rivers **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beech

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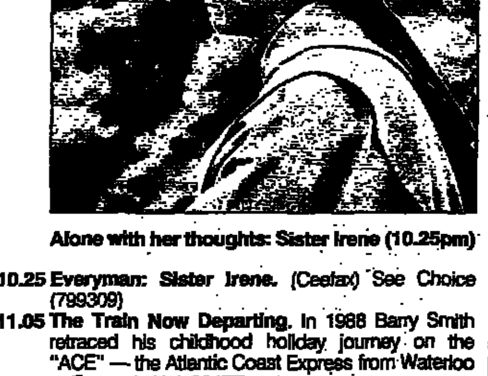


# SUNDAY TELEVISION AND RADIO



## BBC1

**7.00 Ceefax** (11816)
**7.30 Wiz Bang** (r) (s) (2658187) **7.40 Pigeon Street** (r) (2661651) **7.55 Playdays** (r) (4443212)
**8.15 Breakfast With Frost.** James Naughtie stands in for the absent Sir David. *He talks to MPs Sir Norman Fowler,* Tony Blair and Simon Hughes about the Maastricht vote and the forthcoming Christchurch by-election. Includes **News** and weather at **8.15** and **9.00** (840941)
**9.15 Getting Through.** Eve Thompson explains how she was helped to overcome her addiction to tranquillisers and alcohol and then discovered her son was schizophrenic (r) (3649477)
**9.30 This is the Day.** Prayer and reflection from the National Museum of Photography, Cinema and Television in Bradford (s) (23090)
**10.00 See Hear!** *Kim's World*, a film in which Kim Powers explains that being blind and deaf does not prevent her from enjoying life (s) (55516)
**10.30 The Whooper Swan.** How *Finland's threatened* swan population was successfully saved (6648729)
**10.55 Cricket: Fourth Test.** Live coverage of the opening session of the fourth day's play (s) (96996748)
**12.30 CountryFile.** With John Craven (s) (3098816). **Wales:** Down to Earth **12.55 Weather** (36800835)
**1.00 News** (87689854) **1.05 Harry and the Hendersons.** American comedy series. (Ceefax) (s) (34781212)
**1.30 German Grand Prix** continued from BBC2 (70699)
**2.30 EastEnders** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (16157)
**3.30 Columbo: Double Exposure.** The shabby sleuth exposes a blackmailer who kills his victim and frames the dead man's wife. Starring Peter Falk and Robert Culp. (Ceefax) (7226800)
**4.40 International Air Tattoo.** Highlights from the two-day extravaganza held at RAF Fairford (7803019)
**6.10 News** with Moira Stuart. (Ceefax) Weather (358922)
**6.25 Thora on the Straight and Narrow.** Thora Hird concludes her exploration of the thin line between salvation and damnation. (Ceefax) (s) (858583)
**7.00 Last of the Summer Wine.** Foggy decides that the way to a fortune is through the car parking business (r). (Ceefax) (s) (6125)
**7.30 As Time Goes By.** *Second-time-around romantic* comedy starring Judi Dench and Geoffrey Palmer (r). (Ceefax) (s) (187)
**8.00 Strathblair.** Highland drama series set in the 1950s. (Ceefax) (s) (895835)
**8.50 News** with Martyn Lewis. (Ceefax) Weather (914477)
**9.05 Resnick: Rough Treatment.** The conclusion of the *two-part drama in which the burly Nottingham* detective is up against two unorthodox burglars. Starring Tom Wilkinson. (Ceefax) (s) (5617545)

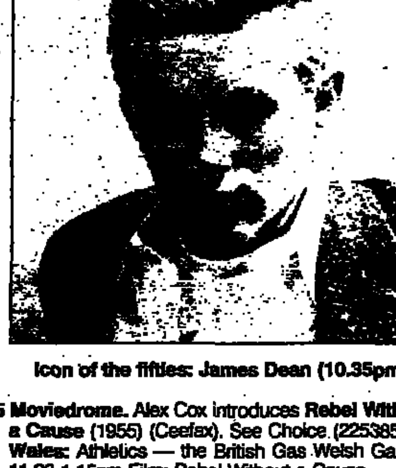


Alone with her thoughts: Sister Irene (10.25pm)

**10.25 Everyman: Sister Irene.** (Ceefax) See Choice (799309)
**11.05 The Train Now Departing.** In 1988 Barry Smith retraced his childhood holiday journey on the "ACE" — the Atlantic Coast Express from Waterloo to Exmouth (r) (406477)
**11.35 Cricket: Fourth Test.** Highlights of the fourth day's play (s) (607309)
*12.15am The Sky at Night. An explanation of planetary* nebulae (s) (1830997) **12.35 Weather** (2459828)
**3.30-3.50 BBC Select: Pathways to Care** (96093794)

## BBC2

**6.40 Open University** (16247767)
**9.10 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles** (r) (1123564) **9.30 Jonny Briggs.** Children's drama serial (r) (6023903) **9.50 System 93.** The first of a new children's game show (6034019) **10.15 Rugrats.** Cartoon (s) (9496361) **10.40 Grange Hill.** Comprehensive school drama serial (r) (5728496)
**11.00 F.O.T.** Fact or fiction film clips quiz. First of a new series (s) (7045496) **11.25 What's That Noise?** The Tracy brothers continue their musical pilgrimage with a visit to Liverpool (r) (s) (3649941) **11.50 The O-Zone.** Take That prepare for a charity concert in Manchester (s) (8269767)
**12.00 Regional Westminster Programmes** (86944). **Northern Ireland:** Greenfingers; **Wales.** First Sight: Critical Decisions
**12.30 Sunday Grandstand** introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is (subject to alteration): **12.30** (54457922), **1.40** (15289458) and **4.00** (79141944) *Cricket: live coverage of the fourth day's play in the* fourth Test between England and Australia at Headingley. The commentators are Richie Benaud, Jack Bannister, Ray Illingworth, Geoff Boycott and Tony Lewis; **12.45** German Grand Prix from Hockenheim. With Murray Walker and Jonathan Palmer (1948309) (continues on BBC1); **3.40** *Motor* Sport: round nine of the *Autotrader* British Touring *Car championship from Silverstone (5025816)*
**6.35 Summer Wildlife: The Mouse's Tale.** David Attenborough narrates this wildlife documentary about the life of mice living near a cottage in the rural south of England (r) (243651)
**7.00 Rough Guide to the World's Islands.** Magenta De Vine and Rajan Datar explore Jamaica off the tourist track (r) (s) (505274)
**7.50** *The Prize: War and Oil. The series on the history of* oil continues with a look at its importance during the second world war (s) (853458)
**8.45 Summer Dance: Balanchine Double Bill** (s). See Choice (289895)
**9.45 German Grand Prix.** Highlights from Hockenheim (537361)



Icon of the fifties: James Dean (10.35pm)

**10.35 Moviedrome.** Alex Cox introduces **Rebel Without a Cause** (1955) (Ceefax). See Choice (22538545). **Wales:** Athletics — the British Gas Welsh Games 11.20-1.15am Film: Rebel Without a Cause
**12.25am Film: 200 Motels** (1971). Weird and not very wonderful ego-trip by rock star Frank Zappa which also features the Mothers of Invention, Ringo Starr, Keith Moon and Theodore Bikel. (Ceefax) (929220). Ends at **2.00**

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## CHOICE



A *Serenade* to a ballet master (BBC2, 8.45pm)

**Summer Dance: Balanchine Double Bill**
*BBC2, 8.45pm*

Two works by George Balanchine open a five-week season of films celebrating distinguished choreographers. Born in Russia, Balanchine made his home and reputation in the United States where he founded the New York City Ballet. Tonight's double bill is performed by that company. The lyrical *Serenade* dates from 1934 and was Balanchine's first American ballet. He aptly, though modestly, described it as "simply dancers in motion to a beautiful piece of music". The music is Tchaikovsky's Serenade for string orchestra. The piece demonstrates his fondness for formal symmetry as, in a more exuberant way, does his 1954 *Western Symphony*, in which Balanchine makes his homage to the cowboy film.

**Kinnock — the Inside Story: The Enemies Within**
*ITV, 10.50pm*

Part two of the Neil Kinnock saga runs from 1983, when he became leader of the Labour party, to the general election of 1987. It was the period of the miners' strike and Militant Tendency and Kinnock seemed to spend more time and energy fighting Arthur Scargill and Derek Hatton than he did the Conservatives. *When he did have a chance of damaging Mrs* Thatcher, over the Westland affair, he muffed it. Characteristically, Kinnock does not shrink from saying so. He is also honest about his failure to urge a secret ballot during the miners' strike. Kinnock's crusade was to make Labour electable, though critics say that presentation changed more than policy. This continues to be a candid and absorbing series.

**Everyman: Sister Irene**
*BBC1, 10.25pm*

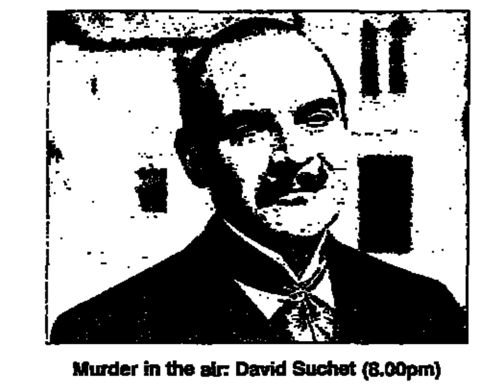
Tamasin Day-Lewis was the producer responsible for the recent BBC2 series on adultery. The sins of the flesh are probably furthest from the mind of her latest subject, a former nun who has become the first hermit to be accepted by the Irish church. Sister Irene, a woman in her thirties, lives in a caravan in a remote corner of County Mayo and says her chosen way of life is a gift from God. To the inevitable question, she denies that she is running away from people and insists she is keeping in touch through prayer. The irony is that having rejected the material world, she now has to rely on it for money. This is one area an *otherwise rounded film fails to explore.*

**Rebel Without a Cause**
*BBC2, 10.35pm*

This famous study of a misunderstood adolescent is a period piece in the best sense of the phrase and the worst. It sums up, as powerfully as any film of the 1950s, the tensions that gripped American society with the emergence of a new generation no longer able to accept the traditional norms. At the same time the treatment of juvenile delinquency now seems contrived and dated. It says much for James Dean's remarkable performance as the young rebel that most of the reservations are overcome. Dean found a sympathetic ally in the director Nicholas Ray, who had *a special empathy for characters on the dangerous* edge. The film is being shown in the original widescreen format.
**Peter Waymark**

## ITV LONDON

**6.00 GMTV** (5790545)
**9.25 Heidi** Classic children's story about a young Swiss miss (5474309) **9.50 The Littlest Hobo** Adventures of a brave dog (6021545) **10.15 The Mountain Bike Show** Includes Sally Gray reporting on a biking holiday on the Greek island of Levkas (664187)
**10.45 Link** A discussion on the morality of using animals to find cures for disabilities. (Teletext) (9183903)
**11.00 Morning Worship** from St Mathias' Church, Torquay (34767)
**12.00 Life and Soul** *The first of a new series of children's* religious programmes (94090)
**12.30 Cobblestones, Cottages and Castles.** The first of a seven-part series in which David Young and his dog Oliver explore the West Country (29274)
**1.00 News** with Tim Ewart. Weather (17766038)
**1.10 Highway** Sir Harry Secombe visits North Yorkshire (Teletext) (4531351)
**1.45** *Out of Africa: Arsenal v Manchester United* The football season starts early with live coverage of a special challenge match at Ellis Park, Johannesburg. The kick-off is at 2.00 (66916922)
**4.15 Highway to Heaven** Adventures of a probationary angel starring Michael Landon (725293) **5.15 Cartoon Time** (6729458)
**5.30 The $64,000 Question.** Bob Monkhouse with *another edition of the cash prize quiz show (s) (106)*
**6.00 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (779093)
**6.20 News** with Julia Somerville. Weather (978835)
**6.30 Father Dowling Investigates.** The parish priest and his wild-eyed side-kick Sister Steve discover clues to missing treasure at an ancient Egyptian exhibit in the Chicago Museum. Starring Tom Bosley and Tracy Nelson (Teletext) (s) (59354)
**7.30 Second Thoughts** James Bolam and Lynda Bellingham star in the comedy as a couple thinking of marrying for the second time (r). (Teletext) (583)

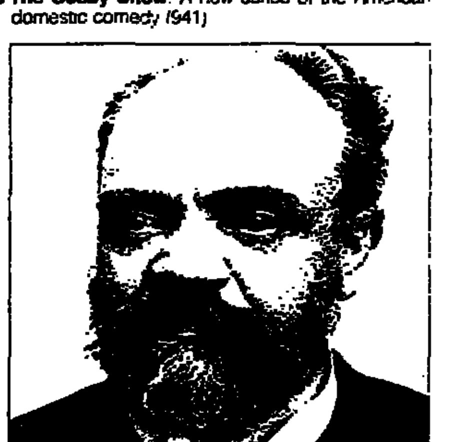


Murder in the air: David Suchet (8.00pm)

**8.00 The Agatha Christie Film: Death in the Clouds.** Another polished excursion into 1930s art deco as David Suchet's Poirot investigates a murder on a flight between Paris and London. Chief Inspector Japp (Philip Jackson) provides the usual comic relief. (r). (Teletext) (1380)
**10.00 News** with Julia Somerville. Regional news and weather (462125)
**10.20 Over the Rainbow.** Disappointing comedy created by Dick Clement and Ian La Frenais about four friends trying to make a living in pop music. (Teletext) (s) (848496)
**10.50 Kinnock: The Inside Story.** (Teletext) See Choice (686496)
**11.40 Film: Rock Hudson** (1989). Thomas Ian Griffith plays the lead in a flat biopic of the Hollywood star. Directed by John Nicolella (279598)
**1.20am Island Son.** Medical drama starring Richard Chamberlain (4286171)
**2.15 Cue the Music** featuring Wishbone Ash (8091510)
**3.20 Extreme Asia.** A new series on Asian youth culture and music (8318997)
**4.00 Memories of 1970-1991.** Robert Powell recalls 1991 (s) (6892317)
**4.55** *Crusade in the Pacific. The run-up to the raid on* Pearl Harbour (6236930)
**5.30 ITN Morning News** (46249). Ends at **6.00**

## CHANNEL 4

**6.00 Trans World Sport** (9410800)
**6.55 Ovide** (4249632) **7.05 The Wombles** (r) (6222800) **7.10 Madeline.** Adventures of a young French girl (5268274) **7.40 For Better or For Worse.** Animated series about domestic life (3136564) **8.05 Jayce and the Wheeled Warriors** (1606767) **8.30 The Adventures of T-Rex** (98816)
**9.00 Saved by the Bell.** American high school drama series (12496) **9.30 Dennis** Cartoon adventures of a mischievous boy (r) (1931629)
**9.45 Flipper** The resourceful dolphin comes to the *rescue again* (690748) **10.15 The Lone Ranger** (b/w). Classic western adventures (682729)
**10.45 Land of the Giants** Science fiction series (r) (829458)
**11.45 Little House on the Prairie.** Drama series about a close-knit Kansas Plains family during the Depression, starring Michael Landon (4032854)
**12.40 Film: Star!** (1968) starring Julie Andrews. Glossy *biopic of the actress and vaudeville star Gertrude* Lawrence. With Daniel Massey as Noël Coward. Directed by Robert Wise. (Teletext) (75679090)
**3.50 Orchestra!** Sir Georg Solti and Dudley Moore continue their series on the instruments that compose an orchestra (r) (s) (3090038)
**4.25 The Christians** The sixth programme of Bamber Gascoigne's ten-part series on the history of *Christianity (r). (Teletext) (4086274)*
**5.25 News** summary and weather (4550038)
**5.30 Hypnosis.** Dance music magazine (s) (748)
**6.00 The Real World** Episode six of the 13-part series about a group of disparate young people sharing a New York apartment (s) (361)
**6.30 The Cosby Show.** A new series of the American domestic comedy (941)



A life in music: Antonín Dvořák (7.00pm)

**7.00 Sound Stuff: Antonín Dvořák.** The first of a two-part examination of the life and work of the Czech composer (s) (6458)
**8.00 Tour de France** The final leg, from Viry-Chatillon to the Champs Elysées (8583)
**8.30 Frontline** Dr Anne Macintyre, who had to give up work after contracting ME, looks at how other sufferers have had their illness dismissed as being "all in the mind". (Teletext) (7090)
**9.00 Film: The Time Bandits** (1981) starring Sean Connery and Craig Warnock. Inventive comic fantasy about a young boy who is snatched from suburbia for a series of strange adventures in time and space. Directed by *Monty Python's* Terry Gilliam. (Teletext) (s) (79261748)
**11.15 Out of Africa.** Zeinab Badawi chairs a discussion on why Africa cannot feed itself (s) (239390)
**12.15am Film: Hard Times** (1988, b/w). This *World Cinema* offering is an updated Portuguese version *of Charles Dickens's novel. Starring Luis Estrela,* directed by Joao Botelho. English subtitles (625828). Ends at **2.00**

## VARIATIONS

### ANGLIA

**As London except: 9.25am** Daffy Duck's Movie: Fantastic Island (8807598) **10.05** Warner Cartoon (3566019) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (684187) **12.30pm** Countrywide (3016212) **12.55-1.00** Anglia News (36895903) **1.10-2.00** Stuntmasters (9616509) **2.00** Highway (3873380) **2.35** Capital Challenge (6947903) **3.35-5.30** Film: Stuck With Each Other (908309) **6.00-6.20** Anglia News On Sunday (779093) **11.40** The Twilight Zone (278816) **12.10am** Quiz Night (4827684) **12.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8529626) **1.10** Film: The Outlaws (128125) **3.10** The New Music (8420997) **4.05** Entertainment U.K. (6891686) **5.00-5.30** America's Top 10 (19336)

### CENTRAL

**As London except: 9.25am** Daffy Duck's Movie: Fantastic Island (8807598) **10.05** Cartoon Time (3566019) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (684187) **11.00-12.00am** Morning Worship (34767) **12.30pm** Central Newsweek (3016212) **12.55-1.00** Central News (36895903) **1.10-2.00** Family Theatre (9616509) **2.00** Highway (3873380) **2.35** Take 15 (1086187) **2.50** Challenge Of The Seas (4988699) **3.20** Planet Fillers (3650800) **3.30** Ironbridge 1993 Triathlon (91670) **4.30-5.30** Life Goes On (22293) **6.00** Cartoon Time (354106) **6.15-6.20** Central News (980670) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (59354) **1.20am** Prisoner: Cell Block H (4286171) **2.15** Riviera (1884065) **3.10** The *ITV Chart Show* (8420997) **4.05** Central Jobfinder (8180978) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (2194107)

### HTV WEST

**As London except: 9.25am** Film: Good For Nothing – The Bravest Knight (8148800) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (684187) **11.00-12.00am** Morning Worship (34767) **12.25pm** HTV News & Weather (7199309) **12.30-1.00** HTV Newsweek (29274) **1.10-2.00** The A-Team (9616509) **2.00** Highway (3873380) **2.35** Meredith On Sunday (4937187) **3.05** Superstars Of Wrestling (1355767) **3.55** Cartoon Time (9303361) **4.00** Film: Quarterback Princess (31894632) **5.45** The $64,000 Question (599670) **6.15-6.20** HTV News & Weather (980670) **11.40** Love At First Sight (278816) **12.10am** Quiz *Night* (4827684) **12.40** Cinema, Cinema, Cinema (8529626) **1.10** Film: The Outlaws (128125) **3.10**. The New Music (8420997) **4.05** Entertainment U.K. (6891686) **5.00-5.30** America's Top 10 (19336)

### HTV WALES

**As HTV WEST except: 12.25pm** HTV Wales News & Weather (7199309) **12.30-1.00** Playback (29274) **2.35-3.05** Wales On Sunday (4937187) **6.15-6.20** HTV Wales News & Weather (980670) **7.30-8.00** Second Thoughts (583)

### MERIDIAN

**As London except: 9.25am** Daffy Duck's *Movie: Fantastic Island (8807598)* **10.05** Cartoon (3566019) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (684187) **12.30pm** The Turning Point (5712632) **12.50-1.00** Meridian News & Weather (37074632) **1.10-2.00** Film: Bon Voyage (9616509) **2.00** Highway (3873380) **2.35** Film: Carry On Nurse (Kenneth Connor, Hattie Jacques, Charles Hawtry) (45850361) **4.15** Life Goes On (726293) **5.15** The $64,000 Question (507699) **5.45** Champions (599670) **6.15-6.20** Meridian News & Weather (980670) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (59354) **1.20am** The ITV Chart Show (3843862) **2.20** The Art Of Landscape (4371133) **2.55** The Pier (6164404) **3.30** Anything Goes (88794) **5.00-5.30** Freescreen (19336)

### WESTCOUNTRY

**As London except: 9.25am** Daffy Duck's Movie: Fantastic Island (8807598) **10.05** Cartoon Time (3566019) **10.15-10.45** The Littlest Hobo (684187) **11.00-12.00am** Morning Worship (34767) **12.30pm** Westcountry Update (3016212) **12.55-1.00** Westcountry Weekend Latest (36895903) **1.10-2.00** Film: Sky High (9616509) **2.00** Highway (3873380) **2.35** My Story (1086187) **2.50** Life Goes On (6961583) **3.50** Film: Let The Balloon Go (9003380) *5.15 Champions* (507699) **5.45** The $64,000 Question (599670) **6.15-6.20** Westcountry Weekend Latest (980670) **6.30-7.30** Murder, She Wrote (59354) **11.40** Love At First Sight (278816) **12.10am** Quiz Night (4827684) *12.40 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema* (8529626) **1.10** Film: The Outlaws (Clovis Cornillac, Wadek Stanczak) (128125) **3.10** The New Music (8420997) **4.05** Entertainment U.K. (6891686) **5.00-5.30** America's Top 10 (19336)

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**Starts: 7.05am** The Wombles (6222800) **7.10** Madeline (6040496) **7.40** For Better Or For Worse (3136564) **8.05** Jayce And The Wheeled Warriors (1606767) **8.30** The Adventures Of T-Rex (98816) **9.00** Saved By The Bell (12496) **9.30** Dennis (1931629) **9.45** Flipper (690748) **10.15** The Lone Ranger (682729) **10.45** Land Of The Giants (829458) **11.45** Little House On The Prairie (841670) **12.45pm** Mork and Mindy (960019) **1.15** Eerie, Indiana (950632) **1.45** Kingdom Of The Plains (111941) **2.45** Those British Faces: Jack Hawkins (973583) **3.15** Film. The League Of Gentlemen (2279038) **3.40** Adele and the Ponies of Ardmore (419125) **5.20** Apple (4542019) **5.30** Pobol Y Cwm (74460552) **7.15** Llcyns Olsons (966361) **7.55** Hel Straeon (988832) **8.25** Canwn Mollennwn (773922) **8.55** Cynhadledd Enwadol (920038) **9.15** Newyddion (221670) **9.20** Sarh Diwmod Ar Y Sul (686458) **9.35** *Athletau (272922) 10.25 Tour De France* (845309) **10.55** Traffik (313038) **11.55** E.N.G. (429458)

## SATELLITE

### SKY ONE

**6.00am** Hour of Power (34854) **7.00** Fun Factory (5309336) **11.30** The Brady Bunch (73545) **12.00** WWF Challenge (68941) **1.00pm** Battlestar Galactica (64361) **2.00** The Love Boat (32635) **3.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (1458) **3.30** Fashion TV (6496) **4.00** UK Top 40 (96496) **5.00** All-American Wrestling (5038) **6.00** The Simpsons (84125) **7.00** Gamesworld Final (21670) **8.00** North and South (18106) **10.00** Hill Street Blues (20941) **11.00-12.00** Stingray (62564)

### SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
**6.00am** Sunrise (8750854) **8.30** Frost on Sunday (68922) **11.30** Week in Review (36632) **12.30pm** *Financial Times* Reports (27106) **1.30** Target (28835) **2.30** *The Lords* (45729) **3.30** Roving Report (65800) **4.30** Memories of 1970-1991 (9729) **5.00** Live at Five (33274) **6.30** Roving Report (53748) **7.30** Week in Review (5318) **8.30** Target (37361) **10.30** Roving Report (55545) **11.30** ABC News (36922) **12.30am** Week in Review (91423) **1.30** CBS News (75268) **2.30** Target (90626) **3.30** CBS News (95171) **4.30** Those Were The Days (88626) **5.30-6.00** CBS News (91713)

### SKY MOVIES PLUS

**6.00am Showcase** (82187)
**8.00 Darling Lili** (1970). Comedy with Julie Andrews and Rock Hudson (23187)
**10.00 Oh God!** (1977) George Burns stars as the supreme being (70922)
**12.00 Great Expectations: The Untold Story** (1989): *An original treatment of the* Dickens classic (46038)
**2.00pm Shipwrecked** (1991): Cabin boy Stian Smestad is stranded on an island (11283)
**4.00 The Dream Machine** (1991) Corey Haim becomes the target of a hitman when he acquires a Porsche (3670)
**6.00 Fire, Ice and Dynamite** (1990). Roger Moore stages a sporting marathon in the Swiss Alps (54859)
**8.00 V.I. Warshawski** (1991) Kathleen Turner stars as a tough private eye (26034)
**10.00 Pacific Heights** (1990): Tenant Michael Keaton terrorises Melanie Griffith and Matthew Modine (651106)
**11.45 The First Power** (1990): Lou Diamond Phillips and Tracy Griffith track a ghostly serial killer (665729)
**1.25am Return to the Blue Lagoon** (1991). Brian Krause and Milla Jovovich star as young lovers in paradise (455152)
**3.15 Strangers** (1991). Businessman James Hosley begins an affair with a psychotic woman (5370317)
**4.40 Fast Getaway** (1991) Martial arts thriller with Cynthia Rothrock (9626794). *Ends at 6.00*

### SKY MOVIES GOLD

**4.00pm Comanche Station** (1960) Randolph Scott buys the freedom of captive white woman Nancy Gates (9873854)
**5.10 Desk Set** (1957) Romantic comedy with Spencer Tracy and Katharine Hepburn (50634309)
**7.00 The Bridge on the River Kwai** (1957) Alec Guinness stars in David Lean's classic second world war drama (19200361)
**9.40 Macbeth** (1971) Roman Polanski's adaptation of the Shakespeare tragedy (46943380) Ends at **11.55**

### THE MOVIE CHANNEL

**6.00am The Wolf Man** (1941, b/w) Lon Chaney Jr is bitten by werewolf Bela Lugosi (80729)
**8.00 The Prisoner** (1955): A cardinal is interrogated about his beliefs. With Alec Guinness and Jack Hawkins (21729)
**10.00 The Promise** (1979) An accident victim returns with a new face (78564)
**12.00 Green Card** (1990) Gerard Depardieu and Andie MacDowell undertake a marriage of convenience (37380)
**2.00pm Driving Me Crazy** (1991): Public schoolboy Ethan Randall is driven home for Thanksgiving by his mother's boyfriend Ed O'Neill (19835)
**4.00 Home Alone** (1990). Macaulay Culkin outwits two burglars (1212)
**6.00 Problem Child** (1990) A couple adopts a mischievous boy. With John Ritter and Michael Oliver (39699)
**8.00 Problem Child 2** (1991) Comedy sequel (48256)
**10.00 Point Break** (1991) FBI agent Keanu Reeves befriends surfer Patrick Swayze to catch a gang of bank robbers (49037309)
**12.05am Serial** (1981) Satire on California fads. With Martin Mull (473591)
**1.45 Sweet Poison** (1991) Patricia Healy colludes with Steven Bauer to murder her husband (246626)
**3.25 Tell Me That You Love Me, Junie Moon** (1970) Makes Liza Minnelli, Ken Howard and Robert Moore share a house (901171) Ends at **5.15**

### SKY SPORTS

**6.30am** Prime Bodies (75564) **7.00** Muscle Night Special (90583) **8.00** Uefa U-18 Football (91212) **9.00** Red Line (99293) **10.00** Trucks 'n' Tractor Power (65816) **10.30** Fishing the West (17564) **11.00** Golf British Seniors Open (70212) **12.30pm** Uefa U-18 Football (7071057) **5.30** Golf British Seniors Open (95309) **8.30** Golf US Women's Open (417635) **11.00** Uefa U-18 Football (97274) **12.00** Red Line (82220) **1.00-1.30am** Fishing the West (77881)

### EUROSPORT

**7.30am** Step Aerobics (92729) **8.00** Eurofun Magazine (23125) **8.30** Motor Racing: German Grand Prix (22496) **9.00** Tour de France (84361) **10.00** Tennis Federation Cup (14941) **11.00** ATP Tennis (85380) **12.30pm** Motor Racing: German Grand Prix (318125) **3.00** Tour de France (11729) **4.00** Athletics (23564) **5.00** Golf Dutch Open (7274) **6.00** *Tennis: Mercedes Cup* (36187) **7.00** ATP Tennis (93458) **9.00** Motor Racing: German Grand Prix (47632) **10.00** Tour de France (57019) **11.00-12.30am** Tennis: Federation Cup (31564)

### UK GOLD

**7.00am** Michael Bentine's Potty Time (8059699) **7.30** Rude Dog and the Dweebs (8038106) **8.00** Lassie (2960309) **8.30** Dog House (2952380) **9.00** Dr Who Omnibus (9764629) **11.00** Film, The Big Sky (1952, b/w) starring Kirk Douglas (85687309) **1.10pm** Film: The Diamond Queen (1953) starring Fernando Lamas (47849309) **2.30** Sorry! (5990903) **3.00** The Bill Omnibus (7175767) **5.30** David Copperfield (5901019) **6.00** The District Nurse (9735125) **7.00** Sorry! (2029361) **7.30** No Place Like Home (5911496) **8.00** Miss Marple (4848535) **9.00** Elizabeth R (19614800) **10.45** Rory Bremner (8731800) **11.15** Life Without George (8834941) **11.45-1.30am** In Concert: Spandau Ballet (6589800)

### THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL

**6.00am** The Best of Jack in the Box (16496) **7.00** Commander Crumbcake (83670) **7.30** Widget (79477) **8.00** Cartoon Classics (45361) **8.30** Ratkan II (446632) **11.30** Cartoon Classics (55187) **12.00** Dinonders (55748) **12.30pm** New Fantastic Four (73632) **1.00** Mariposa (78187) **2.00** Just Us (6423) **2.30** Flash Gordon (9903) **3.00** Chicken Minute (9038) **3.30** Mr Majeika (1748) **4.00** Winners (78038) **5.00** Kaits and Dog (4583) **5.30** 3-2-1 Contact (4449) **6.00-7.00** Fame (81651)

## RADIO 3

**6.35am Open University:** At Summer School **6.55** Weather
**7.00 Bach and His Sons:** J.S. Bach (Komm, Jesu, Komm, BWV 229); J.C.F. Bach (Quartet No 3 in C); C.P.E. Bach (Cello Concerto in A minor, Wq 170); J.C. Bach (Harpsichord Sonata in E, Op 5 No 5); J.S. Bach (Mass in G minor, BWV 235); W.F. Bach (Fantasia in C minor); J.C. Bach (Quintet in D, Op 11 No 6); J.S. Bach (Lobet den Herrn, BWV 230)
**9.00 News 9.05 Brian Kay's Sunday Morning:** J.C. Bach (Overture, Adriano in Siria: Academy of Ancient Music); Artist of the Week: Karita Mattila, soprano, sings Villa-Lobos (Aria, Bachianas Brasileiras No 5: Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields); **9.18** *Composer of the Week* preview: Vaughan Williams (Quick March, Sea Songs: *Bournemouth Sinfonietta*); Paganini (Caprices Nos 10 in G minor and 11 in C, Op 1: Salvatore Accardo, violin), Mercadante (Flute Concerto in E minor: James Galway; I Solisti Veneti); **9.54** *Composer of the Week* preview: Holst (Suite for Military Band No 1, Op 28 No 1: Eastman Wind Ensemble); Beethoven (Five Variations on Rule Britannia, WoO79: Melvyn Tan, fortepiano); John Adams (The Chairman Dances, Foxtrot for orchestra. San Francisco SO); Gounod (Jewel Song, Faust: Karita Mattila, soprano; Philharmonia); Tchaikovsky (Souvenir de Florence, Op 70: City of London Sinfonia); Brahms (Liebeslieder-Walzer, Op 52 Nos 1-6: Robert Shaw Festival Singers); Barber (Summer Music, Op 31); Falla (El Amor Brujo)
**12.00 Vintage Years:** John Amis presents a musical portrait of Elisabeth Schumann (r)
**1.00pm News 1.05 The Incomparable Signor Corelli** Ensemble 415 performs a selection of Corelli's sonatas and the complete *Concerti da chiesa*. Fourth of five programmes
**1.35 Test Match Special:** England v Australia. Commentary on day four of the fourth Test at Headingley. During the tea interval at **3.45-4.00** At the Bookstall
**6.10 Evening Sequence:** A selection of music on disc
**7.30 Proms:** Live from the Albert Hall, London. Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra under Libor Pešek performs Elgar (Introduction and Allegro); Dvořák (Piano Concerto in G minor: Garrick Ohlsson). **8.25** Pastoral. Julian Glover reads David Lodge's tale of first love in the 1950s (r). **8.45** Beethoven (Symphony No 6 in F, Pastoral)
**9.40 Sunday Play: The Cure at Troy.** Stephen Rea, Brendan Gleeson and Ian McElhinney star in Seamus Heaney's version of *Philoctetes* by Sophocles. Part of *The Golden Age* season, *The Cure at Troy* explores the decision faced by Philoctetes to wallow in the past and seek revenge or to live in the future (r)
**11.00 Hebrides Ensemble** — James Clark, violin, William Conway, cello, Ruth Ellis, clarinet, Peter Evans, piano — performs Kenneth Leighton (Fantasy on an American Hymn Tune); Edward Harper (In Memoriam — Kenneth Leighton); Bartók (*Contrasts*); Ravel (Piano Trio in A minor)
**12.30-12.35am News**

## RADIO 4

**5.55am Shipping Forecast 6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Prelude **6.30** Morning Has Broken, incl Bells on Sunday from All Saints' Church, Tilsworth, Bedfordshire **6.55** Weather **7.10** Sunday Papers **7.15** On Your Farm: Oliver Walston meets Henry and Gill Head who grow lavender in Norfolk **7.40** Sunday **8.00** News **8.10** Sunday Papers
**8.50 Margaret Drabble** appeals for the *Week's Good Cause* on behalf of the Association of Stammerers **8.55** Weather
**9.00 News 9.10 Sunday Papers**
**9.15 Letter from America** by Alistair Cooke (r)
**9.30 Morning Service** from St John the Baptist, Crowthorne
**10.15 The Archers:** Omnibus edition
**11.15 News Stand**, with Matthew D'Ancona of *The Times*
**11.30 Pick of the Week** (r)
**12.15pm In the Psychiatrist's Chair:** See Choice
**1.00 The World This Weekend**, with Nick Clarke **1.55** Shipping
**2.00 Gardeners' Question Time** from Northern Ireland
**2.30 Classic Serial:** Alexander. Second of a six-part serial on the life of Alexander the Great by David Wade
**3.30 The Radio Programme:** Hamish Mykura attends the Underwater Music Festival in Florida. Presented by Laurie Taylor
**4.00 News; Analysis:** David Walker explores Britain's suspicion of big ideas (r)
**4.47 Siesta Days, Fiesta Nights:** In the first of a six-part series on his experiences of life in Spain, Drew Launay talks about religious festivals
**5.00 News; Walking Through Ireland** with the travel writer Robin Neillands (r)
**5.30 Poetry Please!** celebrates the work of Rudyard Kipling **5.50** Shipping **5.55** Weather
**6.00 Six O'Clock News**
**6.15 Letter from the Creuse:** *Stephen Jessel visits this* remote corner of the Massif Central (r)
**6.30 Europhile**, presented by Gordon Clough (r)
**7.00 The Board Game:** Nigel Cassidy chairs the executive quiz. The panellists are Peter Day, Howard Hodgson, *Alastair Ross Goobey* and Janette Rutterford (r)
**7.30 A Good Read.** Michael Meyer and Timberlake Wertenbaker choose three paperbacks (r)
**8.00 Punters**, presented by Susan Marling (r)
**8.30 Laughing Aloud:** An unofficial English Sunbeam. Frank Muir reads extracts from Arthur Marshall's essays
**9.00 The Natural History Programme**, presented by Kelvin Boot (r)
**9.30 Special Assignment 9.59** Weather
**10.00 News**
**10.15 The Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes** The Musgrave Ritual. The first of four stories by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Clive Merrison plays the Baker Street detective and Michael Williams is Dr Watson (r)
**11.00 In Committee**, presented by Carolyn Quinn
**11.30 Seeds of Faith** Graham Cray, principal of Ridley Hall, Cambridge, believes the era of Enlightenment thinking is giving way to a new age. In response to the collapse of a familiar culture, can there emerge faith, imagination and *a new way of living?*
**12.00-12.43am News**, incl **12.20** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (LW only)

## CHOICE

**Radio 2 Arts Programme.** *10.00pm.*

Listeners — and they are legion — who get all hot under the collar when a favourite work is transferred to another medium and gets "hacked about" in the process, would probably have preferred it if this feature about the art of the adapter had been a phone-in. It is just possible that their grouses will be reflected in Sean Street's questioning of writers specialising in radio, television, film and stage adaptations. They include Michael Sadler who scripted BBCtv's poorly-received serialisation of Peter Mayle's *A Year in Provence.*

**In the Psychiatrist's Chair.** *Radio 4, 12.15pm.*

Professor Colin Blakemore, the eminent brain researcher, needs little reminding that the tabloids have dubbed him a modern Frankenstein, with a cold and distant nature that is hard to penetrate. None the less, Dr Anthony Clare lists these labels because, as he reminds Blakemore, he once took *him to task for using the word "machine"* in connection with the brain, and the main plank of today's interview is what Blakemore calls his detachment from emotional investment in things. The soul is among them.
**Peter Davalle**

## RADIO 1

FM Stereo and **MW. 4.00am** Neale James (**FM** until **6.00am**) **7.00** Gary Davies **10.00** Dave Lee Travis **1.00pm** Number Ones on 1FM **2.30** Rockline **4.00** The UK Top 40 **7.00** The Official 1FM Album Chart **8.00** Anne Nightingale **10.00** Gary Davies (**FM from 12.00**) **1.00-4.00am** Clare Sturgess (**FM only**)

## RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **4.00am** Barbara Sturgeon **7.00** Don Maclean **9.05** John Sachs **10.30** Hayes on Sunday **12.00** Desmond Carrington **2.00pm** Benny Green **3.00** Alan Dell with Sounds Easy **4.00** Tea at the Randolph **4.30** Sing Something Simple **5.00** Charlie Chester **7.00** Richard Baker with Melodies for You **8.30** Sunday Half Hour from Acomb Methodist Church, York **9.00** Alan Keith **10.00** Radio 2 Arts Programme. See Choice **12.05am** John Terrett with Night Ride **3.00** Alex Lester

## RADIO 5

**6.00am** World Service. Newshour **6.30** Mark Curry's Weekend Edition **9.30** Whoppers. Tall stories by Steve Walker (1/6) **10.00** Johnnie Walker with The AM Alternative Omnibus **11.00** Test Match Special. England v Australia. Day four in the fourth Test **1.00pm** Sunday Sport **7.20** Open University: The New Curiosity Shop; **7.40** Art Works; **8.00** Leisure — Soccer and Organised Sport; **8.20** Whatever Happened to the People's Home?; **8.40** Learning Through Life — A Question of Minorities. **9.00** Open Forum. **9.20** Literature — The Plays of Soyinka; **9.40** Women's Studies — Writing from the Margin **10.10** Across the Line **12.00-12.10am** News, Sport

## WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST. 4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News and Press Review in German **5.00** Sunday Feature: Tips für Touristen **5.30** Short Story: Second Lesson **5.45** Party, Party **6.00** News **7.10** News About Britain **7.15** Letter from America **7.30** Jazz for the Asking **8.00** News **8.30** From Our Own Correspondent **8.50** Write On **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Ray on Record **10.00** News **10.05** World Business Review **10.15** Short Story: Second Lesson **10.30** Folk Routes **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.01** Science in Action **11.30** BBC English **11.45** News and Press Review in German **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** The Ken Bruce Show **1.00** News **1.01** Play of the Week: The Master and Margarita **2.00** News **3.01** The Pope's Divisions **3.30** Anything Goes **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** News and Features in German **5.00** News **5.10** News About Britain **5.15** The Odd Couple **5.45** Letter from America **6.00** BBC English **6.30** News and Features in German **8.00** In Good Voice **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** Folk Routes **9.30** Brain of Britain **10.00** News **11.10** News About Britain **11.15** Short Story: Second Lesson **11.30** Letter from America **11.45** Sports Roundup **Midnight** News **12.05am** World Business Review **12.15** Ray on Record **1.00** News **1.30** In Praise of God **2.00** News **2.01** The Record Producers **2.45** Arabian Sounds **3.00** News **3.30** Composer of the Month. The Burgundians **4.00** News **4.10** News About Britain **4.15** Sports Roundup

## CLASSIC FM

**6.00am** *Sarah Lucas* **9.00** *Classic Romance* **12.00** Celebrity Choice **1.00pm** Nicky Horne **3.00** Robert Booth **7.00** Authentic Performance **8.00** Evening Concert: Louis Demmus Alvarez, piano, plays works by Beethoven, Chopin and Liszt **10.00** Contemporary Classics **12.00-6.00am** André Leon

## VIRGIN 1215

**6.00am** Graham Dene **10.00** Paul Coyte plays Virgin Classic Tracks **2.00pm** Emperor Rosko **4.00** Album Chart **7.00** Wendy Lloyd **10.00** Tommy Vance **2.00-6.00am** Sandy Beech

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DAVID FLUSFEDER PREVIEWS THE BEST OF NEXT WEEK'S TELEVISION

# From Dylan to the wild Dani



The highlight of the week is Norman Lewis's time-travelling trip to New Guinea. The programme contains all the wild exotica you might expect, but its real strengths are Lewis's intelligence, care and curiosity — qualities often lacking in most programmes these days. The best of the other programmes include Mavis Nicholson's interview with two women who used to be man and wife, a scary report from the seaside, and a lurid melodrama set in Cardiff.

**Rebecca's Daughters**
*Today, BBC2, 10.45pm*

It's a sign of something — I'm not sure what — that an original screenplay by Dylan Thomas gets rewritten by a one-time scriptwriter for *Not the Nine O'Clock News*. (I'm no fan of Celtic sentimentality myself, but still it's an odd combination.)

*Rebecca's Daughters* is a cheerfully efficient waddle through mid 19th-century Welsh insurrection, with a clenched-jaw, dimple-smiled lead performance from Paul Rhys as a gentleman revolutionary; a tremulous gasping love interest in Joely Richardson (who seems to be competing with Amanda Donahoe these days for Glenda Jackson's old title of the actress who gets her kit off most often in arty productions); lots of humorous work involving bearded men with pigs; and the camp, rather under-used star turn of Peter O'Toole as a decadent dandy, complete with face patches and eyeliner and languid nasty habits.

The result is more *Not the Nine O'Clock News* than *Under Milk Wood*. But if you're looking for something with a few laughs, pleasant music, some loving shots of Welsh bogs, with a bit of Scarlet Pimpernel swashbuckling thrown in, this is the programme for you.

**Going For Gold**
*Monday-Friday, BBC1, 1.50pm*

One of the mysteries of life is why this quiz show is good. The set is made of plastic and neon; the questions are mostly too easy; it claims to be an authentically Europe-wide competition but it is intrinsically biased towards native English speakers; Henry Kelly is the most irritating and patronising quiz show host ("Good man, Hans. You're terrific," he says, with a grotesquely insincere smile); and the contestants tend to be either stupid people from Britain or shy charisma-bypass Europeans.

Yet I'm a sucker for it. I find myself rooting for a contestant and even (this is the mark of all successful television quiz shows) shouting answers at the screen.

**Travellers' Tales: The Time Traveller**
*Monday, Channel 4, 9pm*

Norman Lewis is Britain's greatest living travel writer. He's 84, and it's a sign of his wisdom and clarity that watching his filmed journey to the past, present and future of Papua New Guinea you soon stop remarking on the impressive fact of his age and just look, listen and learn.

Lewis says that he has three criteria for a place to visit: the place must be inaccessible, the government should be despotic, and malaria should be rampant. The region of Irian Jaya in western New Guinea is, therefore, the perfect place to be.

His first stop is Indoman, cannibal country, protected by mountains from tourists and the Indonesian government. The Dani tribesmen wear bones through their noses (although one dignified eccentric opts for a ballpoint pen) and live in — by our evolutionary reckoning — the Stone Age. Lewis settles merrily in, asking polite questions such as, "Have you any idea what human flesh tastes like?" (to which the answer is, "They say it's very fatty, fatty like a pig"). He is respectful of the culture, sometimes admiring of it, but doesn't shy away from pointing out its problems.

Lewis has the self-effacing air of an insurance clerk who just happens to have stumbled into another world: he says that 50 years' experience haven't made him wise, just 50 years older.

His second stop is Wariema in the Daniem valley — the present — with its odd mix of Dani tribespeople and contemporary Indonesian settlers. The Dani men flout Indonesian law and continue to wear penis sheaths (some look like curling snakes, others like vaccum flasks) and tout their appearance for photograph money by the holiday chalets. Lewis visits a traditional Dani village, endures yet another ceremonial pig feast, and has a pleasant chat with the leader (whose status is indicated by the intertwined pig scrotums on his wrists).

The Indonesian government has failed in its attempt to settle the Dani in modern compounds; the tribe just leaves the ugly concentration camp-like place and builds a ring of tribal huts instead. Pigs are their currency as well as their food, and there is one startling shot of two Dani women peaceably suckling contented piglets.

Lewis's final stop is the copper mountain of Tembagapura — the depressing emblem of the future for Irian Jaya. Twenty-five million tons of copper have already been extracted by America's Freeport Corporation, with at least the same amount still to come. The benevolent face of the corporation is represented in the airbrushed PR, who celebrates the benefits Freeport has brought to the locals. They have been built a school recently, they are given work.

But the work is invariably unskilled; as Lewis says, here is a "Stone Age people participating in the destruction of their own culture".

**Nature: Baywatch**
*Tuesday: BCC2, 8pm*

If you're planning a beach holiday in Britain this summer you'd be wise to watch this worrying examination of the state of the nation's watery health. There are some disturbing statistics thrown out: if you go swimming in coastal waters you are increasing your chances of getting ill 134 per cent (and if you surf, by 204 per cent).

The delightful Councillor Trotter takes a sad stroll along Queensferry beach on the Firth of Forth, shakes his head and lists its unhygienic dangers: "Used condoms, sanitary towels, human excrement, that's what the tide brings up on the beach". Mike Embley reports in earnest, gang-busting mode. He suggests that those cute, blue Tidy Britain group flags celebrating resorts' health and fitness might be a little misleading as far as water quality is concerned.

The programme lists the ten resorts with the best and worst water, and ends with an elegiac contrast between present-day Blackpool (where the effort is now made to present happy holiday times on the shore rather than in the sea), and innocent 1924 footage of its "gay modern syncopation".

**Thicker Than Water**
*Thursday and Friday, BBC1, 9.30pm*

This is a beautifully filmed, competently acted, and absurdly melodramatic story of a pair of twins and the loony who brings death and disaster and changes to them. Theresa Russell plays the twins — one dowdy and miserable because she can't have a baby, the other sexy and glamorous and pregnant.

Jonathan Pryce is the nice doctor married to the sexy one, and Richard Lynch plays Dorian the Loony, whose head is filled with bright lights and fire and naked bodies. The music is good, Cardiff is made to look handsomely melancholy, and the story is enjoyably off its head.

**Moments of Crisis: Laura's Story**
*Thursday, Channel 4, 8pm*

When Robin was three he thought he was meant to have been a girl. He endured 60 years of maleness, had a troubled marriage, two daughters, and a bitter, agonised life. He became Laura (in all but surgery) 18 months ago.

Laura has an attractive face, thinning white hair prettied with clips, and a taste for floral frocks. After a lifetime of resenting the "freedoms" of women he is a she, finally liberated by hormones.

Laura's "companion" is Dorothy, who was Robin's wife. Mavis Nicholson in her best aunty mode meets the two of them for an intimate chat.

It's hard to know why they are talking on television; maybe it's a sort of coming out. But the programme is fascinating, partly as a psychosexual case history but largely as a portrait of a person and a relationship in the process of abrupt change.

Laura is more emotional than Robin ever was, but says her mind is as quick and clever as before. Dorothy is a little mousey and tends to defer to her companion, as you suppose she always deferred to her husband. Her own liberation is that she is living with a happier person than before, and that she is again permitted to wear dresses and tights in public. Her jealous husband denied her this option because he was denied it.

Their friendship seems secure. Laura says she would never have changed her sex role if she thought it meant losing Dorothy, who dutifully calls her former husband "she" and says: "I expect I shall get used to it." But towards the end of the conversation, Dorothy says that they have made an agreement that if either of them want to form a new, sexual relationship with a man they are free to go off, without jealousy or possessiveness — and you get the impression that this is probably more Laura's initiative than Dorothy's.

**Architecture of the Imagination: The Door**
*Friday, BBC2, 9.30pm*

Nice images, shame about the "ideas" content. This is the first of a new series that is designed to make us see everyday architectural features in a fresh light. The shots are stunning — doors in churches, in paintings, in masonic halls, banks and artists' studios — and are artfully mixed in with old movie clips, but the commentary from the "experts" is earnestly banal.

The light relief here is the interview and the footage of a club doorman. He is a big Irishman with a polite, dangerous manner — "Oh, that's a very foolish little person," he tuts, when a refused clubgoer attempts a peculiar revenge by attacking the doorman's pocket with a chip wrapper.

This is one of those programmes for which you hardly need the sound on. The images are thought-provoking; unfortunately, the commentary seldom is.



Travelling man: Norman Lewis's favourite places are inaccessible, with rampant malaria

**BEST BETS**

TODAY
*Rebecca* 1940, US (BBC2, 3pm)
*Delicatessen* 1990, Fr (Ch4, 10.35pm)
TOMORROW
*Time Bandits* 1981, GB (Ch4, 9pm)
*Rebel without a Cause* 1955, US (BBC2, 10.35pm)
WEDNESDAY
*Bell, Book and Candle* 1958, US (Ch4, 5.05pm)
THURSDAY
*The Egg and I* 1947, US (BBC2, 10.40am)
*Tarnished Angels* 1958, US (BBC2, 4.30pm)
FRIDAY
*Secret Beyond the Door* 1948, US (BBC2, 11.20pm)

**BEST SPORTS**

TODAY
*Cricket:* England v Australia, fourth Test (BBC1, 11am)
TOMORROW
*Cycling:* Tour de France, final day (Ch4, 8pm)
TUESDAY
*Cricket:* NatWest quarter final (BBC1, 12.05am)
FRIDAY
*Showjumping:* European Championships (BBC2, 6pm)
*Athletics:* Vauxhall Invitation (ITV, 8pm)

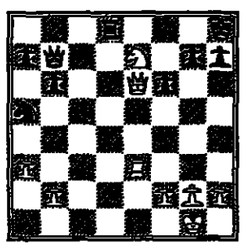
**BEST BOOK**

*Royal Tournament* (today, BBC1, 5.50pm)

**WINNING MOVE**

*By Raymond Keene*

This position is a possible variation from Speelman - Levitt, Lloyds Bank, London 1992. Speelman, a noted tactician, would have foreseen White's win here many moves in advance. What is it?



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**WORD-WATCHING**

*By Philip Howard*

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b. Returning home
c. Turning bottles

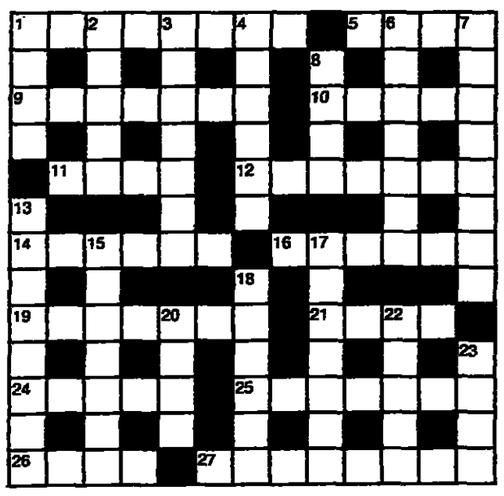
SIMUL
a. A chess display
b. A type of chimpanzee
c. A Chinese scimitar

BLANDANDER
a. A big white goose/duck
b. To cajole
c. An effeminate man

LILIPI
a. Conical female head-dress
b. Very small
c. Boiled flour

Answers on page 13

**CONCISE CROSSWORD NO 3156**



ACROSS
1 Frayed (4,4)
5 Auxiliary woman soldier (4)
9 Muslim fast month (7)
10 Elite (5)
11 Frustrate (4)
12 Sluggish (7)
14 Slovenly (6)
16 Soften, mature (6)
19 Finish stitch row (4,3)
21 Monk's hood (4)
24 Gas network (5)
25 Discard (7)
26 Anger (4)
27 "Venerable" English historian (4,4)

DOWN
1 Silk, earth creature (4)
2 Ardent male lover (5)
3 Cheated (7)
4 Fix deviously (6)
6 Sexless (7)
7 Status decline (8)
8 Look over (4)
13 Hammered strings (8)
15 Trying (7)
17 Cry out (7)
18 Frightened (6)
20 Overthrow (4)
22 Secure with block (5)
23 On an occasion (4)

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# It's the way they tell 'em

## Caitlin Moran on the sexy appeal of the new comedy



COMEDY is the *new* rock and roll? I've been told this six times in the past two weeks and, being insecure and weak, I feared I was missing out on the Next Big Thing. So I hied me down to Jongleurs comedy club in Camden, north London, to check out this theory. I waited for revelation; I hung about expecting screaming hordes of moist, teenaged girls to descend on the waif-like bodies of a couple of bouncer-surrounded comedians. It didn't happen.

There was no guest-list queue. There was no manager rushing round handing backstage passes to the groovy and gratuitously important — which was just as well, because the backstage area was a small linen closet next to the lavatories. There were no roadies gouging their names into the bar with screwdrivers, just a couple of hundred polite, well-dressed, washed people sitting neatly at tables and sipping red wine (in all probability because they liked the taste, and not because they wanted to get off their faces).

Odd. But being an observant kind of child, I sat down (on a chair, not a pile of semi-unconscious fans) and started to figure out why live comedy has suddenly become so popular again. And you know what? It all comes down to sex.

With life as it is, there isn't much time for the average person to devote to leisure.



ALAN WELLER

Pop comics: Rob Newman (left) and David Baddiel

The few hours that we do manage to snatch revolve around the single people anyway: finding a mate. In the dark days of the 1970s and 80s, "courtship" centred on nightclubs, discos and gigs. Conversation would be limited by the ear-shattering music. A typical exchange would go:

"Hello, do you want to 'staying alive, staying alive' dance?"

"Pardon?"

"Fancy 'Wo wo wo wo, supertrooper feeling like a star, wonder who you are' dance?"

"Can't understand you."

"Oh, stuff it."

These futile efforts would usually end in mutual frustration. The essence of the chat-up line rests in the premise that the object of desire can hear what you are saying. This is why the birthrate dropped dramatically in the 1970s. At a comedy club, however, the only sound likely to drown out a crafty chat-up line is the polite smatter of applause in the background, or the distant *twang* of someone dropping their chocolate fudge cake fork. This is why the opening of the Comedy Store in 1981 was a success.

Sex sells tickets. From my vantage point near the bar, I saw the beginnings of three relationships — one of them between my friend Vickie and a slice of treacle and walnut pie.

To start a conversation with a prospective love interest, you must have a mutual experience, which is why gigs have been a hot-bed of snogging for so many years. Wandering up to a gorgeous lad and discussing the dreadfulness of the lead singer's haircut and viability of shooting the bass player leads to more chit-chat, and finally a scribbled phone number on your ticket stub.

Since the early 1980s, however, technology has advanced so far that it's possible for bands to play exceedingly loudly without distorting the sound. When the Beatles played Shea Stadium, their PA rig was no more powerful than a top-of-the-range home-stereo system. These days, a good band could be heard two counties away.

In the 1990s you go to gigs because you like the band; which is fine and dandy, but still half the population is itching for a hitching, needing an excuse to go somewhere and start talking to people. Hence the rise of pop comedians, such as the annoyingly good-looking David Baddiel, Rob Newman and Sean Hughes. Fourteen-year-old girlies can say they're going to a Baddiel and Newman gig because they fancy Dave or Rob, but in reality they're hoping to meet a 16-year-old boy who looks a bit like them. Just like going to a T-Rex gig; you could scream at Marc Bolan as girls scream at Baddiel and Newman, but you knew deep in your heart you would never get off with him.

Of course, comedians have taken advantage of this newfound desirability. The circuit is buzzing with Wild Groupie Tales, and 13-year-old girlies begging their heroes for lifts back home and then leaping on them. The wildest scenes I've ever seen were after a Baddiel and Newman gig. The screams were so high-pitched that my ears were still ringing two days later. Newman just slumped nonchalantly in the the tour van and read a comic — *Pop star*-style.

So yes, I can see that in all these respects, comedy is the new rock and roll. But you can't dance to it, can you?

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